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WHAT WILL BE CHINESE OFFICERS' REPLY TO JAPAN'S WARNING?

ZERO HOUR EXPECTED TO-MORROW

UNEMPLOYED REFUGEES DEMONSTRATION

DEMAND RELIEF

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

We are colourfully described as living now in the current of a cataclysmic stream, and no-one quite knows just to where it is rushing, and what is in store at the end.

PEACE OR WAR?—RESPONSIBILITY OF CHINESE OFFICERS.

Everything to-day hinges upon the decision of the Officers of the Nineteenth Route Army who hold Peace on War in the palms of their hands.

Japanese troops, unquestionably, are determined to retrieve honour for their country's arms.

CHAPEI HORRORS TO BE REPEATED?

In the event of the Chinese deciding to continue to offer resistance, the horrors of Chapei may be duplicated.

In the International Settlement, acute alarm among property owners exists.

MENACE OF DISTURBANCES IN SETTLEMENT.

Meanwhile, in the Settlement, there continues the ever present menace of internal disturbances.

UNEMPLOYED REFUGEES DEMONSTRATE.

The second serious rumbling of future possible trouble, as the result of distress among the refugees, came, when a crowd of unemployed, estimated at a thousand, invaded the offices of the Shanghai Citizens' Emergency Committee, demanding relief either in money or food, and took possession of the building. They refused to retire, and the police had to be summoned. The latter arrived opportunely and dispersed the demonstrators, for the latter were beginning to get out of hand and were threatening to wreck the building.

ZERO HOUR—WEDNESDAY?

Many are expecting zero hour to be announced for Wednesday, when the Japanese offensive is scheduled to be launched, in the event of the Chinese deciding to refuse to comply with the demands of the Japanese military authorities.

LULL AFTER ALL NIGHT BOMBARDMENT.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

Shanghai, To-day.

All night long the bombardment of Chapei was continued by the Japanese, the Chinese replying at times, but this morning, again, there is a lull.

MORE JAPANESE REINFORCEMENTS.

Further Japanese troops are expected to arrive to-day, bringing up their total to about thirty thousand with Marines and Bluejackets already ashore.

It is understood the newly-arrived troops are preparing to enter the Chapei lines as soon as possible in order to relieve the Marines and Bluejackets who have been on duty continuously for more than two weeks.

SIXTEEN JAPANESE TANKS LANDED.

It is learned now that sixteen Japanese tanks have been landed, ten of large variety and six of the "Whippet" kind. All are equipped with quick-firing light ordnance.

LEAGUE ASSEMBLY MEETING INEVITABLE.

Geneva, Yesterday.

A special meeting of the League Assembly is now regarded as inevitable. It may be held next week.

There is no foundation for the suggestion that it may be necessary to postpone the Disarmament Conference during the Assembly's session.

JAPANESE WAR MINISTER AND SHANGHAI SITUATION.

Question of Reinforcements.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The War Minister, speaking to the Press to-day, indicated that the despatch of further reinforcements to Shanghai might be necessitated as it had been reported that the Nineteenth Army was reinforcing and preparing to offer a stubborn resistance.

The War Minister, who subsequently saw Mr. Yoshizawa, also intimated to the Press, that developments in the next few days would decide whether reinforcements were necessary.—Reuter's Pacific Service.

ADMIRAL SHIOSAWA

Said to Have Committed Hara-Kiri.

Shanghai, Feb. 4.

A rumour that Rear-Admiral Shiosawa has committed hara-kiri, although officially denied, is widely believed in Shanghai in view of notable precedents in Japanese history, and the famous case of Admiral Togo, hero of the Russo-Japanese War, who committed hara-kiri when the reigning Emperor died in order to follow his spirit, is recalled.

Students of Japanese psychology declare that Admiral Shiosawa is bound to consider himself a failure owing to the lack of success which attended his attempt to capture Chapei and also is certain to attribute his supersession by Vice-Admiral

as there will be no difficulty in holding the plenaries of both, the Disarmament Conference and the Assembly at one and the same time.

AMERICA NOT TO PARTICIPATE.

American quarters flatly deny the rumour that America will participate in the Assembly.

The Council of Twelve did not meet this afternoon, probably it will meet to-morrow morning.—Reuter.

THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION

BRITAIN'S FOREIGN SECRETARY MAKES A STATEMENT TO COMMONERS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Several questions, relating to the Far Eastern situation, were answered by the Foreign Secretary (Sir John Simon) in the House of Commons to-day.

Little Change.

He said that there had been little change in the situation at Shanghai in the last few days, except for the arrival of Japanese reinforcements.

Peace Efforts.

The British Minister in China had reached Shanghai last week, and, in accordance with instructions, had been exerting himself, in every possible way, both by using his good offices with the Chinese and Japanese authorities and by consultation with the representatives of other Powers, including the United States, with a view to securing agreement for a cessation of fighting. It was deeply to be regretted that these efforts had not yet borne fruit, but they were being continued.

China's Invocation of Article XV.

As to the Chinese appeal to the League, Article XV of the Covenant provided that a dispute submitted to the Council shall be referred to the Assembly at the request of either party to the dispute, provided that the request was made within 14 days after submission of the dispute

"ATHOS" BRINGS 409 PASSENGERS FROM SHANGHAI.

The M.M. steamer Athos II. arrived in Hong Kong this morning from Shanghai, bringing with her 409 passengers who will disembark at Hong Kong. Among them is Mr. Colloco, President of the Shanghai Rifle Association, whose house was destroyed during the fighting.

Fairly Quiet.

Officers of the "Athos II" say that, at the time they left Shanghai, the situation was fairly quiet. No trouble was experienced passing Woosung. A Japanese battleship and several destroyers were firing shells, but on the approach of the French steamer, the firing ceased.

The Mobile Bacteriological Laboratory of the Egyptian Public Health Department, which has been to Shanghai, is returning on the s.s. "Athos II" to Port Said. The vehicle, a Morris-Commercial Six Wheeler, is fitted with caterpillar tractors, and from its appearance it was evident it had seen rough service.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR VISITS STATE DEPARTMENT.

Washington, Yesterday.

It is noteworthy, that the British Ambassador called on the State Department to-day and exchanged Far East news with several of the officials.—Reuter's American Service.

Nomura as a reflection against himself, in spite of Tokyo's assurance that this is only due to the necessity of a man of senior rank handling Japan's affairs.—Reuter.

IMPORTS DUTIES BILL.

HOW GOVERNMENT MEANS TO MEET THE EMERGENCY.

POINTS OUTLINED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Exceptional interest was displayed in the House of Commons in the debate of the Imports Duties Bill which, with the proposals for dealing with agriculture, were outlined last week, constitutes the main part of Government's scheme for meeting the national emergency.

Major Elliot (Financial Secretary to the Treasury) moving the second reading said, that Government sought, by this measure:

- (1) To correct the balance of payments.
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CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning states:—

The anticyclone, central over N.E. China, has strengthened and spread northward. The depression has deepened and moved to the North of Tokyo.

Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day 0.01 inch. Total since January 1—1.78 inches against an average of 2.35 inches—deficit .57 inch.

Temperature.

Hong Kong	59
Macao	56
Pratas Island	56
Manila	70
Foohow	52
Amoy	52
Chefoo	21
Shanghai	38

AMAH CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

STABBED COOK AT A PEAK RESIDENCE

CASE AT THE ASSIZES

"IT WAS A FIGHT—I DIDN'T MEAN TO KILL HIM."

"It was a fight, I had no intention of killing him." This was the reply given by a young amah, named Chau Sim, who was, this morning, charged before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph H. Kemp, K.C.), at the Assizes, with the manslaughter of a man named Ho Fat.

Accused was not legally represented, and his Lordship took the statement as a plea of "not guilty."

Jury.

The following were called to serve on the Jury: Messrs. H. W. Pomeroy (Foreman), Johnson Lee, J. A. Lindsay, Lam Ming-fan, P. A. Waller, A. A. d'Azevedo and B. A. Young.

The Law on Killing.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney-General, told the Jury that this was a case of unlawful killing and proceeded to explain the law on the matter. He said that an act of killing was murder unless it could be shown that it was lesser, under circumstances that would reduce it to manslaughter, or no case at all. In this case the Crown had negatived the question by bringing a lesser charge of manslaughter against the accused. It was the duty of the Crown to prove that she killed Ho Fat, and once this had been proved, it would follow, unless it was shown by evidence that this was killing under circumstances that was no case at all, that the Jury would find the accused guilty of manslaughter. There was no doubt in this case that the killing was done by the accused.

Affair at 112, The Peak.

The affair occurred at 112, The Peak, which is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. L. Rickett, and Mr. and Mrs. Lorkin. On the morning of January 18, 1932, the accused and the deceased, who was the cook, were employed at the house where there were two other servants, a "boy" and a market coolie. The unfortunate occurrence took place in the kitchen of the house.

Some time between 7 and 8 a.m., the accused went into the kitchen and took a kettle of boiling water to wash her head. Then the deceased came in to prepare the breakfast. Some breakfast was sent up to Mr. London's room and later two plates and a knife were taken back to the kitchen by the "boy" and placed on the dresser there, and the cook moved them from the dresser to the window sill.

"Strike Me and I'll Stab You." Then the accused returned to the kitchen to get some more water. The deceased put his hand on the kettle and refused to let her take it. At that time there were two other people in the kitchen besides the accused and the cook. There was heated argument and the accused picked up a table knife (produced) and said to the cook: "If you strike me I will stab you." The other two then went out. Then there was a lot of noise in the kitchen and the "boy" went back. There he found the cook lying on the floor between the sink and the dresser, and the accused was standing up against the wall

with the bloody knife in her hand. The market coolie also came in and pulled the cook up on to his feet. The cook moved toward the dresser, and then turned round, and then, apparently for the first time, it was realised by the "boy" and market coolie that something had happened.

Death Of Cook.

An alarm was raised and Mr. Rickett and the cook's wife came in, and then the cook slowly collapsed. Some difficulty was experienced in getting a doctor, but eventually Dr. Anderson came. In the meantime, the cook complained that he was feeling cold and he was covered with blankets. When Dr. Anderson arrived he found that the cook had been stabbed in the side of the left arm pit. The cook died soon after the doctor's arrival, and the accused was arrested.

Accused's Answer When Charged.

The accused's story, when first charged with the crime, was: "I didn't. I was short of one kettle of water to wash my head. He (the cook) would not let me take it. He threw the contents of the kettle and scalded my foot. We quarrelled and exchanged words. He struck me with the palm of his hand, pushed me against the wall, and got hold of my throat. I tried to push him off, and stabbed him by accident."

Mr. Fitzroy commented that no

scalds were found on the accused's feet when they were examined.

Was It An Accident?

At the Magistrate's, the accused said: "I don't know what I am saying now. I am a woman and no match for a man, so I picked up the knife to keep him off, and stabbed him by accident."

Counsel said that considering that

the knife went right in, up to the hilt, it was for the Jury to say whether this was consistent with an accident, pure and simple. Evidence was then called, and the case is proceeding.

305 MILES OF OIL PIPELINE.

Soviet Accomplishment.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

Moscow, Yesterday. Three hundred and five miles of pipeline, for the purpose of pumping kerosene oil from Aramir to Ukraine, have been completed. The line has cost more than \$2,000,000, and has been constructed in ten months.

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Nelson, from Shanghai.
C. C. CLARKE,
Manager.

Hong Kong, February 11, 1932.

The following unclaimed tele-
grams are lying at the office of
the Great Northern Telegraph
Company (Limited) of Den-
mark:—
Abramoff, Hotel Cecil, from
Shanghai.

Tienhewo, from Shanghai.
F. V. JENSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, February 10, 1932.

ROUND HONG KONG'S
CINEMA THEATRES

OFFICIAL SOURCES.

"ALWAYS GOODBYE."

"Acting to me is a profession, a
sport and a pleasure. Why should
I consider giving up for the bore-
dom of retirement?"

With that answer, Lewis Stone,
who portrays the chief supporting
role in Elissa Landi's latest Fox
picture, "Always Goodbye," open-
ing next Wednesday at the King's
Theatre, spiked the report that he
was to retire and devote the rest
of his days to cruising the South
Seas.

"Nor would I consider changing
to any other career," Stone added.
"Regardless of the remuneration."
Stone was born in Worcester,
Mass., and, following his schooling
in New York City, he enlisted in
the army serving throughout the
Spanish American War.

Upon his return home, he began
a systematic way of preparation
for a stage career. His first chance
came as understudy for the lead in
a play called "Side Tracked."

Then followed years on the New
York stage, after which he went to
Los Angeles, and, in stock at the
old Belasco theatre, introduced
many world famous plays, notably
"The Dollar Mark," "The Girl Of
The Golden West," and "The Bird
Of Paradise."

Until 1915, Stone steadfastly re-
fused to sign for the movies; but
in that year he consented to do
"Honor's Altar" opposite Bessie
Barriscale.

From that date Stone has been
a constant screen favourite of mil-
lions the world over. The only in-
terruption to his screen career
came during the World War when
he served as an instructor at
Plattsburg, New York, with the
commission of Major.

"Always Goodbye" is the talking
screen's version of Kate Mc-
Laurin's story, adapted by Lynn
Stirling, and directed by William
Cameron Menzies and Kenneth
MacKenna.

In addition to Miss Landi and
Stone, the cast includes such screen
and stage celebrities as Paul
Cavanagh, John Garriek, Lumsden
Hare, Frederick Kerr and Herbert
Bunston.

"THIS MODERN AGE."

In "Our Blushing Brides,"
"Dance, Fools, Dance" and other
pictures, in which Joan Crawford
has starred, there were lavish sets.
Lavish sets became almost as much
a part of a Crawford picture as
Miss Crawford became the epitome
of gay youth on the screen.

But, in "This Modern Age," the
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Parisian
comedy showing on Thursday at
the Queen's Theatre, the most
lavish set ever seen in a Crawford
picture was built. A swimming
pool in a gay restaurant with tables
and dance floor at the edges was
called for. Neither of the two
pools at the studio would do. The
picture is ultra-modern and an
ultra-modern pool had to be built.
On one of the big stages the most
modernistic pool ever constructed
was built. To conform with the
scenery throughout the picture the
pool was built in a futuristic de-
sign. Nine feet deep at the one
end for fancy diving, every detail
in the pool speaks of the ultra. On
the balcony above and the floor
surrounding the novel tank are
tables and chairs of the most
futuristic design. One hundred
and twenty guests in the latest
Parisian modes carry on in gay

revelry in this most modern of mo-
dern settings.

"This Modern Age" is based on
the Mildred Cram novel, "Girls
Together." Pauline Frederick,
Neil Hamilton, Monroe Owsley and
others support Miss Crawford.
This picture was directed by
Nicholas Grinde.

"TONS OF MONEY."

Here is another gem in the Brit-
ish crown, from the same stable as
"Rookery Nook," with the same
producer, and the same star. Tom
Walls, as producer, and Ralph
Lynn, as star, are a duo, discovered
by the talkies, who have helped to
raise British productions to a stan-
dard of world-merit.

The story is that of Allington,
who is beset by creditors, when he
unexpectedly learns that his brother
has died. Left \$30,000 which
reverts to Cousin George of Mexico
on death, Allington and his wife
fear that the \$30,000 will be swal-
lowed up by the creditors. Alling-
ton decides to "die" and reappear
as Cousin George. He does. But
the wife of the real Cousin George,
misled by his disguise, flings her-
self into the arms of her long-lost
husband. Mrs. Allington objects
and Cousin George has to die again.
He does. He re-appears disguised
as the Rev. Ebenezer Brown. He
meets another "Cousin George"—a
crook disguised as such and whom
Allington believes to be the real
thing. Then the genuine cousin
turns up. At that juncture the
Rev. Ebenezer disappears. Later,
the supposedly dead Allington
turns up to claim the \$30,000, only
to learn that after death dues and
all the rest of the fees have been
paid only a few pounds are left.

Honours—almost all of them—
weave themselves into one laurel
wreath. This fits the brow of
Ralph Lynn exactly. He is a
genius of farce. That man is the
pin wheel of "Tons of Money," now
showing at the King's Theatre. He
is never out of mind, even when off
the screen. Nothing to equal some
of the slight subtleties of silliness
had ever before been on the screen.
He is the Chaplin of farce.

Opposite him plays Yvonne
Arnaud with all that skill and
finesse we expect of her. And the
same goes for Mary Brough, who
flits and knits through the film.

Britain can be proud of this fine
comedy.

"LONELY WIVES."

It's a far jump from mechanical
engineer to film comedian, but the
transition was accomplished by
Spencer Charters, stage and screen
actor, who has scored so heavily in
the Pathe picture "Lonely Wives,"
directed by Russell Mack, which
picture is now on view at the Cen-
tral Theatre.

More than thirty years ago Char-
ters was studying mechanical en-

gineering in Harrisburg, Pa. He
hung around the stage doors of
local stock companies so much at
night that he was frequently late
for classes in the morning. When,
in self-defence against his nightly
visitor, the stage manager of one
company offered him the choice of
a job or taking himself away,
Charters accepted the former.

Since school interfered with ma-
tinees, a week later he blew a fare-
well kiss to the possibility of an M.
E. degree and threw in his lot with
matters thespian. After several
years with repertoire and stock
companies, Charters landed on
Broadway, where he occupied an
outstanding position for a quarter
of a century, until he went West
to play the same role in "Whoopie,"
which he had created on the stage.
Now the veteran actor has desert-
ed the stage for screen work.

In "Lonely Wives," Charters is
one of a notable cast, headed by
Edward Everett Horton, and which
includes Esther Ralston, Laura La
Plante, Patsy Ruth Miller and
Maude Eburne, another newcomer
from Broadway.

"WATERLOO BRIDGE."

"Waterloo Bridge," Universal's
much-discussed picturization of the
sensational Robert E. Sherwood
drama of the same name, will be
the next attraction at the Central
Theatre, with Hollywood's latest
"find," Mae Clarke; Kent Douglas;
Enid Bennett and Doris Lloyd in
the principal roles. Directed by
James Whale, who filmed
"Journey's End," and photograph-
ed by Arthur Edson, the capable
cinematographer of "All Quiet on
the Western Front," the British-
flavoured picture of air raids and
the love of a London lady of the
streets for a young Canadian pri-
vate, is reported as one of the
dramatic gems of the picture capi-
tal's current crop.

The Sherwood story depicts the
ill luck of a pretty chorus girl who
descends, as the War progresses, to
a cheap artist's model and eventu-
ally to a solicitor. A boyish
soldier literally runs into her
during the course of an air raid,
on London's well-known Waterloo
Bridge, and eventually falls madly
in love with her. The ensuing
situations in which the girl grows
to love the boy and the intense
scenes in which he takes her to
visit his aristocratic parents are
said to be the ultimate in drama.

Carl Laemmle, Jr., the youthful
Universal production head, who
has scored so soundly with "King
of Jazz," "All Quiet on the Western
Front," "Dracula" and "Seed," per-
sonally produced "Waterloo Bridge."
Benn W. Levy and Tom Reed
wrote the screen adaptation. Fre-
deric Kerr, well known British
actor; Bette Davis; Ethel Gray;
fies, George Arliss talented lead-
ing lady of many successes; and
Rita Carlisle appear with the sen-
sational Miss Clarke, Douglas and
the Misses Bennett and Lloyd in
the picture's cast.

"THE SQUAW MAN."

It looks very much as if we were
about to have a woman director

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED
IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong
Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant;
Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and
Peninsula Hotels and King's Res-
taurant.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre:
"Tons of Money."
To-day—Queen's Theatre:
"Squaw Man."

To-day—Central Theatre:
"Lonely Wives."

To-day—Majestic Theatre:
"The Girl Habit."

To-day—Star Theatre:
"Bridge of San Luis Rey."

To-day—Harmston's Circus,
Wanchai, Hong Kong.

Home Malls.

To-day—Inward from Europe
via Siberia (Athos II.).

To-morrow—Outward for Europe
via Siberia (Andre Lebon), 2.30
p.m.

Meetings.

February 27—Hong Kong &
Shanghai Banking Corporation, 1
Queen's Road, Central 11.30 a.m.

Feb. 29—Humphreys Estate and
Finance Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel,
11.30 a.m.

March 2—Dairy Farm, Ice &
Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower
Albert Road, 11 a.m.

March 2—Hong Kong Realty &
Trust Co., Ltd., Exchange Build-
ing, noon.

March 9—Hong Kong Telephone
Co., Ltd., Exchange Bldg., 2nd
floor, 11 a.m.

March 15—Hong Kong, Canton &
Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., 1,
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named De Mille Katherine De-
Mille, daughter of one well-known
director, Cecil B. De Mille and the
niece of a second, William Church-
ill De Mille, has forsaken acting,
in which she has done very well,
under the name of Kay Marsh, to
learn the art of megaphone wield-
ing. She sought to "learn the
trade," as it were, by acting as
scenario or script assistant to her
father, Cecil B. De Mille, during
filming of his latest big picture,
"The Squaw Man," which is showing
at the Queen's Theatre. The script
assistant is a very important per-
son, indeed. She must keep track
of the entrances and exits of all
characters. She must know what
kind of hat they wore, and what
they carried in their right hand.
If she failed in her observation she
might permit a man to approach a
door in a grey suit and enter the
same door clad in tuxedo. It is
apparent that the job is an excel-
lent way to learn the details of pho-
to-play-making technique.

Young Miss DeMille won't admit
her directorial aspirations. "I just
want to learn all angles of the busi-
ness," she stated. But Father De
Mille beamed all over when it was
intimated that his daughter's new
work looked very much like a step
towards the job he has held with
such honour and success.
"The Squaw Man" is a talking
picture version of a very big
stage success which DeMille has
made twice before as silent films.
The story is an exceptionally strong
one, based on the subject of inter-
racial marriage. The play, by Ed-
win Milton Royle, has been con-
sidered a classic of the American
stage since its inception in 1905.
Ernest Baxter, Lupe Velez,
senior Boardman and Charles
Rickford head the large cast, which
also includes Roland Young, Paul
Cavanagh, DeWitt Jennings, J.
Farrell, McDonald, Dickie Moore,
and others.

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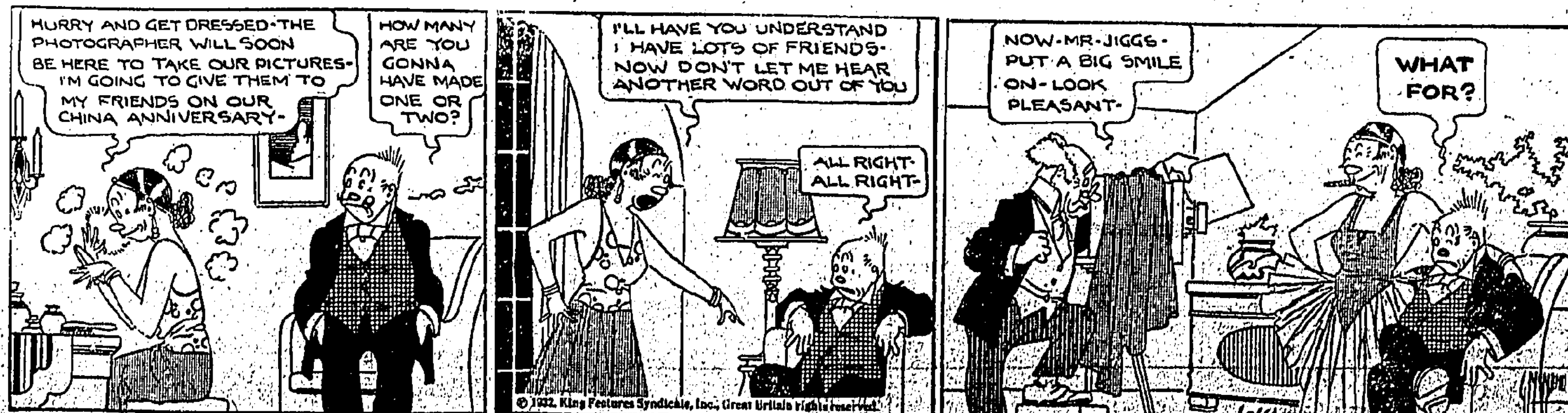
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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

1932 OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Walsham Impresses on Opening Day.

WIRTH'S AMAZING RECOVERY.

Yesterday heralded the opening day of the 1932 Lawn Tennis Championships when nine first round matches were decided under ideal conditions. Interest in the earlier rounds is naturally not so keen but a fair crowd witnessed yesterday's encounters.

The only upset which could be so termed was provided by the match between R. Choa and Wong Fuk-nam, the former losing after having the match within his grasp. Over-cautiousness and a show of nervousness at crucial periods of the game spelled his downfall. Taking the match all round it was a very dull affair, both players being content to adopt safety-first tactics and consequently the match dragged for the better part of two hours.

The best tennis of the afternoon was produced by P. R. S. Walsham and Luk Chan-cheung who were forced to play 31 games before Walsham emerged victorious. The winner is a newcomer to the local tournament and gave a very promising display on his debut. He meets H. Lo in the second round and should proceed to the third where he will meet the winner of the Wirth-Leonard match. Luk played a very plucky game and was seen at his best in the final set which he might have taken had fortune smiled on him.

W. Wirth, another player to make his debut in the tournament, was fortunate to find C. L. Chan in a careless mood and so turned what looked to be an inevitable defeat into a meritorious victory. He took the first set with ease and led 5-2 in the second set only to allow his opponent to take the next five games in succession. In the third set he was 5-1 down, but thanks to his own steady play and the over-cautiousness of Chan he was able to stage a wonderful recovery to win the set and match at 7-5. Chan was seen at his best in the first five games of the final set when he outdrove Wirth and placed the ball at will.

The first walk-over in the tournament was registered when W. Howard failed to make an appearance against J. W. Leonard.

The following were the full results of yesterday's play:

Open Singles.

(First Round).

W. Wirth beat C. L. Chan 6-3, 5-7, 7-5.

H. Lo beat R. M. Wood 6-0, 6-4.

G. W. Sewell beat E. S. Howard 6-4, 6-2.

A. E. P. Guest beat D. S. Green 6-1, 6-3.

J. J. Waite beat D. Mohamed 6-2, 6-2.

P. R. S. Walsham beat Luk Chan-cheung 6-1, 4-6, 8-6.

F. H. Kwok beat C. C. Stark 6-3, 6-0.

Wong Fuk-nam beat R. Howard 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.

J. W. Leonard beat Howard, w.o.

Who They Meet in the Next Round.

Wong Fuk-nam v. Chiu Chun.

P. R. S. Walsham v. H. Lo.

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SIXTH ROUND DRAW IN F. A. CUP.

Huddersfield at Home to Arsenal.

WATFORD AWAY.

London, Yesterday.
The draw for the sixth round of the F.A. Cup, to be played on February 27, is as follows:—
Liverpool v. Sheffield Wednesday or Chelsea.
Bury v. Manchester City.
Huddersfield v. Arsenal.
Newcastle v. Watford.
—Reuter.

SHEFFIELD UNITED TRIUMPH.

Manchester City Lose Away Fixture.

CHARLTON DRAW.

London, Yesterday.
The following were the results of League games played to-day as cabled by Reuter:—
First Division.
Sheffield U. 2 Manchester C. 1
Second Division.
Charlton A. 1 Stoke C. 1

Our Sports Diary.

HOCKEY—To-morrow—Club v. Jats; Recreio v. Radio.

Thursday—St. Andrew's v. University.

Friday—Radio v. German Club.

GOLF—To-day—Third Round of Ross Cup (Ladies').

Friday—Third Round of Ladies' Championship.

Sunday—K.G.C. Junior Championship Final.

HUNTING—To-morrow—Fanning Hunt Hounds Meet at Hunters Arms at 3.15 p.m.

Sunday—Fanning Hunt Hounds Meet at Potts' Bungalow at 3.15 p.m.

CRICKET—Saturday—League I.—University v. Craigengower C.C. (L.); Kowloon v. Civil Service C.C. (L.); Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (L.); League II.—Craigengower C.C. v. University (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (L.); Hong Kong C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L.).

FOOTBALL—Saturday—First Division—Recreio v. Borders; Navy v. Police; Argylls v. St. Joseph's; Kowloon v. Club; Chinese League—South China "B" v. Eastern; Sung Ching v. Yee Woo; Chinese Athletic "B" v. Chinese Athletic "A".

RACING—Saturday—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).

TENNIS.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAMME.

The following is the programme of matches in the Open Championship this week:—

To-day.

J. Barrow v. F. Hata.

G. W. A. Tufton v. Lee Wai-choi.

F. Gross v. P. C. Koh.

H. D. Rumlajn v. D. D. Mackay.

C. Fincher v. K. H. Wong.

J. v. C. E. Holmes.

To-morrow.

Wai-pui v. S. A. Gray.

Wong v. J. G. Lecky.

Gosano v. Yew Man-kit.

Lee v. In Tak-chuk.

Cassumbboy v. E. Yash.

Rumlajn v. N. Chan.

Ride v. A. H. Harkins.

C. Monaghan v. Tsui Yan-pui.

W. Ballin v. M. K. Lo.

L. Sullivan v. F. D. Pereira.

Thursday.

D. B. Evans v. W. Woo.

Chiu Chun-chiu v. R. Choa or Wong.

G. A. White v. A. F. Sullivan v. Pereira.

Friday.

M. W. Lo v. Firdos Khan.

Y. Hachigima v. S. E. Green.

A. H. Rumlajn v. H. Y. Ho.

Y. V. Segalen v. In Tak-lum.

Sports Pick v. W. B. Cornaby.

Luk Ding-cheung v. F. Ali.

H. Owen Hughes v. Sai Wa-liang.

P. A. Redmond v. W. C. Hung.

T. Honda v. G. C. Burnett.

H. Lahring v. R. R. Todd.

Ng Sze-cheung v. M. H. Waring.

R. Grumillet v. T. Aklyama.

Ho Ka-lau v. E. Zimmerman.

Saturday.

R. E. and B. Singals to be played at Sookunpoo at 2.15 p.m. to-morrow—W.O.B. Pamplin, A.E.C. (Captain), S.Q.M.S. Sadd, S/Sgt. Skipp, S/Sgt. Crowder, Cpl. Kean, L/Corpl. Henderson, Private Funnell, Private Lazenby, Driver Whitely (Captain), Driver Gray, Driver Buckland, Reserves—L. Corpl. Spain and Pte. Beresford. Scores:—Sergt. King, Umpire—L/Corpl. Gardner.

R.A.S.C. ELEVEN FOR MID-WEEK.

Serious Cricket at Sookunpoo.

The following have been selected to represent the Detachment, R.A.S.C., in a cricket match against H.M.S. Medway to be played at Sookunpoo at 2.15 p.m. to-day:—S.Q.M.S. Sadd, S/Sgt. Cate, S/Sgt. Skipp, S/Sgt. Crowder, Cpl. Kean, L/Corpl. Henderson, Private Funnell, Private Lazenby, Driver Whitely (Captain), Driver Gray, Driver Buckland, Reserves—L. Corpl. Spain and Pte. Beresford. Scores:—Sergt. King, Umpire—L/Corpl. Gardner.

To-morrow's Game.

The following have been selected to represent the Detachment, R.A.S.C., in a cricket match against

CLUB SECONDS DRAW WITH JATS.

After Holding Lead in Fast Game.

FOX HAS HARD LUCK.

At King's Park yesterday afternoon, the Hong Kong Hockey Club second eleven played a drawn game with the Headquarter Wing team of the 3/9 Jats in a game that was both fast and productive of some very fine play.

The Jats forwards combined well and their passing was both quick and neat.

For the Club, E. V. Reed was outstanding in defence whilst Rees, on the left wing, Moses, in goal, and Selk, at left half-back, were all prominent.

The Club had most of the play in the first half, during which Nowers scored, his shot going into the net off an Indian defender. After the interval, the Jats pulled together, and the Club goal was subject to heavy bombardment, one shot striking the cross-bar.

From a corner, the Jats drew level through their centre-forward, who sent in a fast rising shot, which Moses deflected into his own goal. Both teams strove hard for victory, Fox, of the Club, having very hard luck on more than one occasion when in the circle.

Result:—

Club 2 Jats 1

Hq. Wing Jats 1

Radio Team.

The Radio Sports Club play the Police in the Manak Hockey Competition on Thursday at 5 p.m. on the Marina ground when they will be represented by the following:—

A. Spary, Parduman Singh, J. S. Grewal, M. H. Hassan, Atma Singh, Mohinder Singh, Harbhajan Singh, A. E. P. Guest, Gurbachan Singh, Kalwant Singh and F. A. Kemp. Reserves—J. T. K. Gikhris and Surjin Singh.

Match Postponed.

The match fixed for yesterday between the Radio Sports Club and the Central British Association has been postponed, pending, it is understood, the result of an appeal lodged by the C.B.A. against the decision of their former match with the Radio team, who won by the only goal scored.

Club v. Jats.

On the U.S.R.C. ground to-morrow afternoon at 5 p.m. the Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven will play the Jats Regiment, the civilians being represented by the following players:—

G. Duncan, J. Rodger, W. Woodward, W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand, E. V. Reed, H. Owen-Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. B. Evans and J. L. Tetley.

LADIES' YACHTING YESTERDAY.

Ninth Championship Sailed.

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club races for the ninth Ladies' Championship were sailed yesterday, the courses being—Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), East Rock Mark (P), Channel Rocks (S), a distance of 7.3 miles. The results were as follow:—

"H" Class.

Rolls	Total Pts.
Slaken	1 50 Mrs. Sheldon
Diana	4 70 Miss Macle
Dorothy	2 45 Mrs. Bingham
	3 45 Miss Blake

"Q" Class.

Rolls	Total Pts.
Daphne	3 111 Miss Stokes
Alma	5 114 Mrs. Lambert
Why Wonder?	7 78 Mrs. Fowkes
Elizabeth	1 116 Mrs. Adams
Boojum	1 124 Mrs. Parkinson
Speedwell	2 116 Mrs. Stewart
Junie	2 79 Mrs. Ross

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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

The Sino-Japanese dispute now proceeding apace at Shanghai is growing graver and graver. Reports show that the Japanese have launched a big offensive, but that the Chinese forces are holding out meritoriously. On Sunday (February 7) Japanese destroyers shelled Woosung Village, aided by Japanese troops and several armoured cars from Shanghai.

Filled to the utmost of its accommodation, the majority of the passengers being from Shanghai, the s.s. Empress of Russia arrived in Hong Kong on February 8.

Interesting stories of the situation in Shanghai were told by passengers.

The situation at Shanghai and the stories of recent arrivals from there are fully chronicled in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

At the 82nd annual meeting of the Board of Education, held on February 3, the Board considered a letter from the Head Master of the Diocesan Boys' School advocating the substitution of a Leaving certificate examination for the present University Matriculation examination as the final examination in English schools, such examination to be conducted either by the University or by the Education Department.

The following resolution was carried.

"That the Board recommends to Government that the Senior and Junior Local Examinations be abolished and that a School Leaving Certificate be substituted therefore." The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL gives a detailed report of the meeting.

In the witness box of the Central Magistracy on February 9, Mrs. J. W. Franks, the wife of the Superintendent of Prisons gave her testimony in the case in which the driver of a motor ambulance is summoned for dangerous driving. The case came before Mr. W. Schofield. Mr. Horace Lo defended. The case, which was adjourned, is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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McMILLAN'S "PAIR".

Melbourne, Yesterday.
Australia to-day won the fifth and final Test match against the South Africans by an innings and 72 runs.

South Africa, 1st Innings	36
Australia, 1st Innings	153
South Africa—2nd Innings	
J. A. J. Christy, c and b Nash	0
S. J. Curran, c Fingleton, b Ironmonger	16
A. J. Bell, c McCabe, b O'Reilly	6
B. Mitchell, c Oldfield, b Ironmonger	4
H. B. Cameron, c McCabe, b O'Reilly	0
D. P. B. Morkel, c Rigg, b Ironmonger	0
H. W. Taylor, c Bradman, b Ironmonger	2
K. C. Viljoen, c Oldfield, b O'Reilly	0
Q. McMillan, c Oldfield, b Ironmonger	0
C. L. Vincent, not out	8
N. A. Quinn, c Fingleton, b Ironmonger	4
Extras	4
Total	45

BOWLING ANALYSIS.					
	O.	M.	R.	W.	
Nash	7	4	4	1	
Ironmonger	15	7	18	6	
O'Reilly	9	5	19	3	

BOTH UNIVERSITIES DEFEATED.

Coventry Fail to Score
Against Blackheath.

POLICE AND ARMY DRAW.

London, Jan. 29.
Results of the principal Rugby Union games played yesterday were as follows:

Blackburn	11	Coventry	0
Old Millhills	3	Portsmouth S.	6
L'don Scottish	18	Oxford U.	0
Harlequins	11	Cambridge U.	9
Leicester	0	Richmond	13
Rosslyn	0	O.M.T.	10
Police	5	Army	5
Gloucester	16	Guys	6
Northampton	20	R.A.F.	6

THE H.K.C.C. ELEVENS FOR SATURDAY.

League Encounters
Against I.R.C.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club on Saturday, February 20, in their League matches against the Indian Recreation Club as below:

1st XI. at Sookunpoo:—
H. Owen Hughes (captain), H. J. Armstrong, A. C. Beck, E. R. Duckitt, R. P. Edwards, H. L. F. Erwin, O. E. C. Marton, G. E. Mirehouse, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. R. Ratten, and A. Reid.
2nd XI. at H.K.C.C.:—
R. S. W. Patterson (captain), R. R. Davies, J. B. Davis, G. E. R. Divett, F. A. M. Elliott, C. E. Gahagan, L. D. Kilbee, P. W. J. Plummer, L. B. Smith, J. M. Sunley and L. A. Whips.

CHAMPIONS' TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

League Eleven Against
Hong Kong C.C.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club in a League match against the Hong Kong Cricket Club on the I.R.C. ground on Saturday, February 20:—
A. A. Rumliah (captain), F. D. Peralta, S. R. Kernan, A. H. Rumliah, A. H. Madar, A. R. Migu, A. K. Mino, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, H. D. Rumliah and F. M. al Arculli.

PROFIT - MAKING HOUSEMASTERS

EVILS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL'S SYSTEM WHICH WILL HAVE
TO BE ABANDONED.

During the last few months some hundreds of columns of newspaper articles and correspondence have been devoted to Public Schools. The fees, extras, possible economies, and many other matters have come under the searchlight of public opinion.

What has emerged from this analysis? Unquestionably, the feature of school life that has come under the severest criticism is the house system, by which a Housemaster runs his house as a speculation and makes his profit on the result of the year's working.

One hundred and fifty years ago the colonel of a regiment in the British Army was responsible for feeding and clothing his men. Some of the colonels made a very good thing out of it; but the men suffered, and the system was abolished. Fifty years ago the same thing existed in the drapery trade. Under the living-in system the manager of a big draper's shop did not receive a very large salary, but he made his money out of feeding the shop assistants. This brought in its train such intolerable abuses that it was made illegal by an Act of Parliament.

School Hotel-Keeper.

These illustrations from history point a moral: that evil results from any system by which a man can make money out of feeding others who are committed to his charge. And this is the system which is still in operation at many of the British Public Schools at the present day.

The Housemaster, at the schools which still work on this plan, is in a similar position to the man who keeps an hotel or a seaside boarding house. His visitors pay to him so much a week, or a month, or a term; he provides them with food and lodging, and makes what he can out of it. At schools, however, there is this important difference—the boys cannot leave and go to another hotel.

Mr. Caterem, the proprietor of the Albion Hotel of Muddacombe, would be delighted at such a prospect; a fixed number of visitors who have got to stay for four or five years, excluding holidays, whether they like it or not. What happens if Mr. Caterem gives them margarine instead of butter, and makes an extra £40 or £50 profit every year? Nothing happens, except that a few of the parents send but-ter to their boys, and so add a little more to his profit.

But surely some authority lays down what shall be provided at each

meal? Not at all, it is left entirely to the discretion of Mr. Caterem.

Suppose he provides nothing except bread and butter for the boys to eat between lunch on one day and breakfast next morning, and there-by makes an extra profit of between £120 and £150 a year? As before, a few parents will send foodstuffs to their boys, or provide them with extra pocket-money, but there is no other consequence.

But won't they go away if he feeds them badly? They cannot go away, because no other hotel will take them if they have once started at his establishment. But perhaps if he feeds them badly, after a time no new boys will come. Yes, that

Stephen Foot, Bursar of Eastbourne College, an authority on educational matters, discusses an urgent reform which the Parents' Association has approved.

might happen in the course of time, but in recent years there has been such a rush that the name of the establishment is sufficient, and he is always full.

Suppose he provides inadequate heating, or accommodation, or too few servants, what happens then? Nothing, except that he makes a rather larger profit.

And who is the sole judge of all these things? Why, the proprietor of the establishment who is making the profit. The only control is that of his own conscience, and if he has an extravagant wife or several children to educate he will have a strong pull in the direction of making a good profit.

System At Fault.

Why does the system still continue at Public Schools? The chief reason is that most Housemasters are to a large extent idealists, at any rate when they start, and, consequently, the full evils of the system have never developed. It is obviously wrong, however, to expose a man to temptation of this kind, and it is within the knowledge of everybody who has had to do with Public Schools that the temptation sometimes proves too strong.

In August of last year a Housemaster, from one of the most famous Public Schools, was complaining to me about the amount of super-tax that he had to pay! He thought it was very hard that the year's surplus on his House should be treated in exactly the same way as the profits of a business. But where is the difference when the profit goes into the pocket of an individual?

The man who takes to school-mastering as a vocation ought not to expect to get into the super-tax class, and it will be an evil day for the profession when men join it with that idea. The fact that so few men take advantage of their position is a great tribute to the sense of Housemasters, for the temptation must sometimes be very strong.

It is the system which is at fault, and it should be changed.

Quite recently there was a statement in the Press to the effect that Winchester is considering the matter, and it was also stated that Clifton is contemplating the abolition of the old system. Such schools as Marlborough, Haileybury, and Wellington have got over the difficulty by means of a central dining-hall in which almost all of the boys have their meals. There is no doubt that his method of feeding is the most economical, but there is much to be said in favour of the system of separate Houses.

The solution in the latter case is really not very difficult, and Oundle, Eastbourne, Mill Hill, and Repton have already shown that it is perfectly possible to introduce into a school of separate Houses a system in which the making of profit by a Housemaster no longer exists.

Eastbourne Plan.

The Eastbourne system is perhaps the best known, and inquiries about how it is worked have been made during the last few years by Winchester, Wellington (for their four private Houses), Sherborne, Clifton, Charterhouse, Rugby, Shrewsbury and Malvern. Under this system the Housemaster is paid a fixed salary, while the school receives the boarding fees and pays the bills. The Housemaster's wife, or a housekeeper, does the catering as before, though certain things are bought wholesale by the bursar; she engages and dismisses the servants.

Once a week she renders a statement to the college bursar showing the totals of tradesmen's accounts, amounts due to wages, etc., and to cover them receives a cheque from him instead of from her husband.

Many subsidiary advantages are at once realised. Economies can be effected by the exercise of control over buying; there are no longer big differences in the food provided in the various Houses; questions of what is necessary are judged on their merits, in consultation with the school doctor, and not left to the whim of a Housemaster, or the readiness with which he opens his purse.

Oxford and Cambridge Skiers Hold First Meeting on British Soil



History was written in Canadian and Empire ski annals at St. Marguerite, Que., over the end of 1931 and the beginning of 1932, when the ski teams of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge held their inter-Varsity meet on British soil for the first time. Hitherto the famous British Universities have always settled their winter sports differences in Switzerland, the recent visit to Canada having been made in the light of the "Buy British" campaign, and for the encouragement of University sports between different parts of the Empire. They also met

Canadian college teams, were entertained at Ottawa by His Excellency, the Governor-General, and made the acquaintance of a number of Canadian Ski Clubs. The picture show (Dark Swastars) the Oxford Team, (Light Swastars) the Cambridge team, who won the British inter-Varsity meet, and (in group) the Oxford-Cambridge cross-country race. Let the Right Honourable Mr. MacDonald, President of the Ski Club of Great Britain, and Honorary Secretary, Mr. Thompson, who were in Canada, and the Canadian Olympic skier, Mr. J. H. "Buckles" York.

Walter (Oxford) individual winner; V. D. Dunn, Cambridge, second; and H. Spence, former British cross-country ski champion and member of the technical committee of the Ski Club of Great Britain, timekeeper. Inset—a fine jump by three of the British undergraduates. All very enthusiastic about their visit to Canada and the beautiful mountain resort on the Laurentian line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The party travelled from England in the Canadian "Paddle Steamer" "Montezuma," and returned by the "Montezuma" to London. The party was met at the airport by Mr. J. H. "Buckles" York.

RADIO.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

EUROPEAN LECTURE.

5-8 p.m.:—European Programme.
5-7.31 p.m.:—Programme of Victor and H.M.V. Records.
5-5.45 p.m.:—A Selection of Victor Herbert's Music.
Ahl Sweet Mystery of Life, Victor Salon Orchestra, Selections from Naughty Marietta, Victor Light Opera Company, 9145.

Kiss Me Again, Selections from The Fortune Teller, Victor Salon Group, 9146.
Badinage, Air de Ballet—Al Fresco, March of the Toys, Victor Concert Orchestra, 9147.

Selections from Babes in Toyland, Selections from Sweetheart, Selections from The Red Mill, Victor Light Opera Co., 9148-9.

5.45-6.12 p.m.:—Glibert and Sullivan Selections.
Patience, The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards, C1274.

The Gondoliers, The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards, C1273.

Pirates of Penzance, The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards, C1363.

6.12-7 p.m.:—Variety.
Piano Solo—
I Found You, Let Love Take Care of You, Raie da Costa, B3937.

Humorous Song—
That Must Be Our Walter, River, Stay 'Way From my Door, Cracie Fields, B3824.

Orchestral—
La Violetera, The Song of Songs, De Groot & His Orch., B3808.

Humorous Song—
Auto-Suggestion, Fish-Sauce, Alexander and Mose, B3925.

Piano Solo—
Reaching for the Moon, When the Circus Comes to Town, Raie da Costa, B3909.

Orchestral—
Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago—1921 and 1922, New Mayfair Orchestra, B3944.

Piano Solo—
Viktorin and Her Hussar—Medley, Raie da Costa, B3957.

7 p.m.:—Stock Quotations.
7.57-7.31 p.m.:—Orchestral.
Islamey (Balakirew), Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, 6870.

The Sleeping Beauty—Ballet Suite (Tchaikowsky), Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, 6871/6872.

7.31-7.51 p.m.:—From The Studio.
Mrs. H.M. Broadbent will conclude her lecture on "Twenty Years in Burma."

7.51-8 p.m.:—Programme of Victor & H.M.V. Records.
Planoforte Solos.
Suggestion Diabolique, Op. 4, No. 4 (Prokofief), Benno Moiseiwitsch, E530.

Sonata in A Major (Scriabin), E531.
Ecclesiastical (Beethoven), Mischa Levitzki, E537.

8 p.m.:—Local Time.
8.3-11.30 p.m.:—Relay from Kō Shing Theatre.

11.30 p.m.:—Close Down.
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HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

Harmston's Circus and Royal Managerie has moved over to Hong Kong and they start their season on this side of the harbour with a grand opening programme to-night on the reclamation at Wanchai. The Circus gave their last performance at Kowloon on Sunday when they were given hearty fare-well by Kowloonites who have given the Circus excellent support throughout its season there. There is no doubt that many Hong Kongers have not yet seen the Circus as the cold spell made them hesitate to go across the harbour, especially with children. These will welcome this instance of Mohamed coming to the mountain, and a full tent may be expected to-night and every other night and at the matinee during the Hong Kong season.

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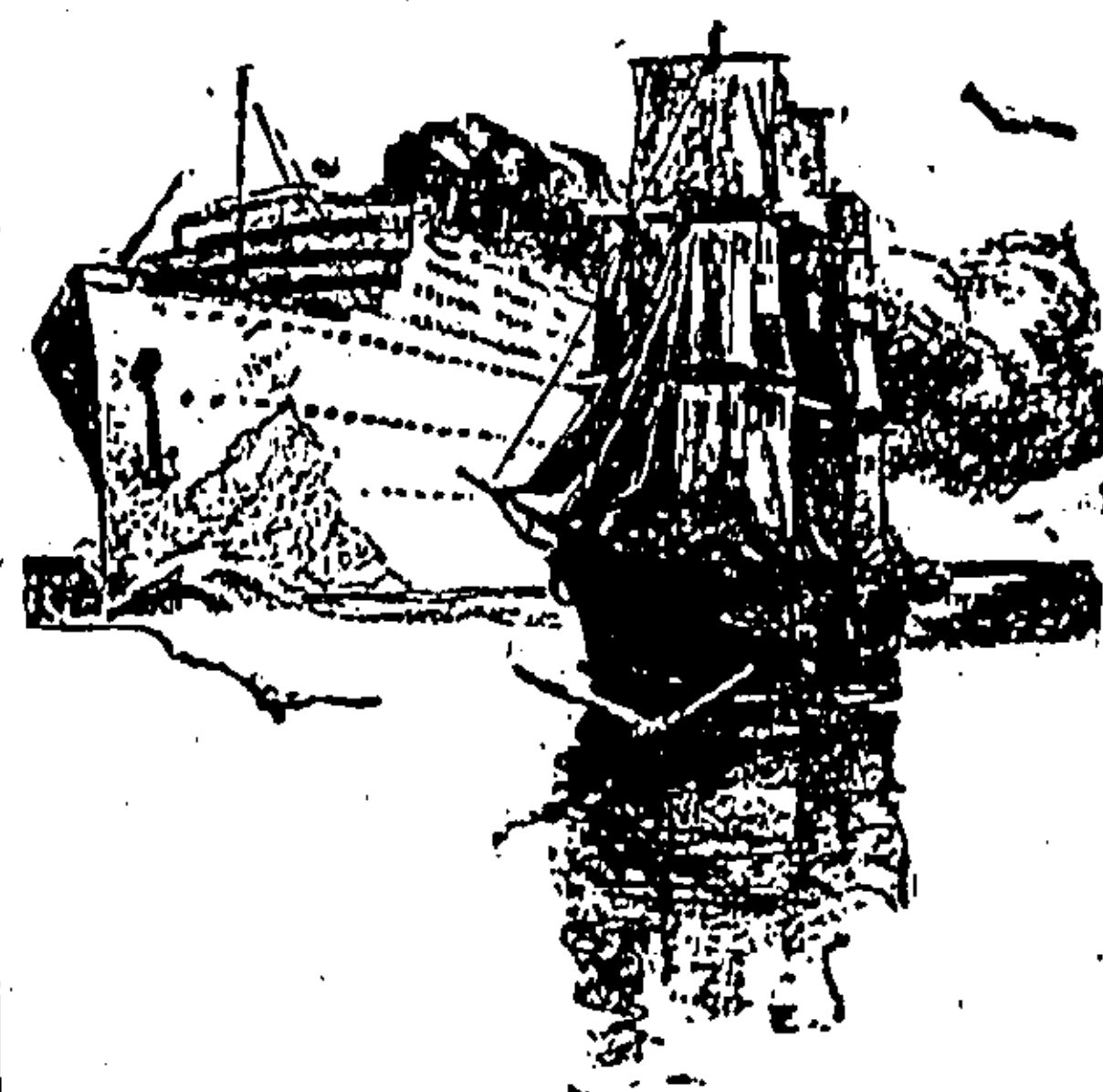
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The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1932.

A Live Association.

Those who will take the trouble to read the report, just published by the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, will agree that it is the report of an association which is wide-awake, conscious of its responsibilities, and enthusiastic and eager to serve the best interests of the residents of that portion of the Colony at which the Peak is said to sniff!

The General Committee does not exaggerate when it says:—"the necessity for such an institution as the Kowloon Residents' Association, to advise on the numerous municipal questions attendant . . . and to promote the welfare of the community has been apparent. . . . There is need for such an association, and it is the bounden civic duty of every Kowloon resident to be a member of the Kowloon Residents' Association."

Membership to-day of the Association is 381. That is not as satisfactory as it might be, and a special drive to increase membership might be considered by those directing the affairs of the Association. It is to be hoped, that next year, when the Association enters into its teens, it will be able to carry with it, into another new and useful period of its life, a very much larger number of members. It is to be expected that, in the course of the Association's civic work, many disappointments will be met, but these should act—and there is little doubt that they do act—as spurs to intensifying effort to accomplish ends and purposes in view. Many problems also will take time to solve. As Rome was not built in a day, so Kowloon cannot expect to become that very desirable residential area which is so obviously at the heart of the K.R.A. What has been accomplished already and what is on the way to accomplishment are matters concerning which the K.R.A. has every reason to feel justifiably content.

The Association has been in existence for over a decade, and we are glad to read that it is proposed

to issue a "brief survey of the wonderful growth of Kowloon." We hope the issue of such a survey will not be greatly delayed. We appreciate the work such a survey entails, but, if it is not tackled now, the time will surely come, when, from monumental dimensions, it will grow into Everestian proportions, and, then, indeed, become laborious even for a Hercules. We look forward to so valuable a historic narrative of the growth and development of Kowloon.

Tennis Championships.

The 1932 Lawn Tennis Championships commenced yesterday with signs that they will again be thrilling and popular. Weather conditions favoured contestants on the opening day, and, though, no thrilling encounter aroused the handful of spectators, it was evident that there are one or two dark horses who are going to cause upsets in the calculations of critics before many rounds are completed.

Tournament tennis is a very different problem to the casual knock up indulged in after office hours. It is more exacting in its demand for the right temperament. The person, who is easily upset by a wrong decision, who becomes rattled over frequently just missing the side-lines or of hitting the net cord, seldom attains success in tournament tennis. To succeed one must take all failings in good grace whether amassing badly or whether annoyed by the tactics adopted by an opponent, and must present a bold front and try to forget that there is anything at stake. Free and careful tennis, although not too careful, is the key to success. How many times have we seen a player, with complete lack of control, who, when in a commanding position has allowed an opponent to come again on loyal terms by easy-going and careless play, neglected to clinch an advantage. Nervousness at the commencement of a match is not serious, though those who are addicted to it in the critical stages seldom go far.

In last year's final, all hoped to see a rousing match with C.A.L.

Rumjahn as the ultimate winner. This, however, was not the case as E. C. Fincher was attacked by nervousness long before the match commenced and was unable to shake off the awful effects at any period of the game. This year Rumjahn is not defending the title and it looks as if Fincher will step into his shoes. Nerves again, however, may let him down, unless he can rid himself of them. Nervousness has been the cause of the failure of better players than Fincher.

News in Brief.

Lowest open air temperature recorded yesterday was 57°. Humidity at 10 a.m. was 76, and 67 at 4 p.m.

At the Central Police Court, yesterday afternoon, Li Yin, a motor ambulance driver of the Central Fire Station, was held responsible for dangerous driving on Stubbs Road recently, and fined \$10.

A successful whist drive for members of St. Andrew's Club was held in the St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, prizes for the best score, being won by Mrs. L. Dann and Mr. E. H. P. White, respectively.

A large photographic picture, taken by Kobza, of the R.M.S. Empress of Britain in Hong Kong harbour, with Kowloon as an effective background, is being exhibited in the window of Messrs. Kelly, Walsh Ltd., Chater Road.

The four Chinese seamen arrested and charged yesterday in connection with the discovery, on the O.S.K. steam launch Tomijima Maru, of a large quantity of opium were, this morning after hearing of evidence, discharged at the Kowloon Magistracy, as it was held that they were only folks of the launch.

Personal Pars.

Mr. Paul H. Stevenson, of the Department of Anatomy of the Peking Union Medical College, is passing through Hong Kong on his way to Hainan Island in connection with an anthropological reconnaissance of the peoples of the south-east coastal region.

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Henry Max Erfeling, s.s. Bremerhaven, care of Messrs. Melchers & Co., and Henriette Marie Katharine Wendelborn, of the German Mission, Hong Kong; and of Johann Beck, of s.s. Bremerhaven, care of Messrs. Melchers & Co., and Marianna Lydia Kruse, of the German Mission, Hong Kong.

OBITUARY.

Death at Residence on Sunday.

HU CHING-SHUL

The death of Hu Ching-shul, the only brother of Mr. Hu Han-min, occurred on Sunday at his residence in Robinson Road. Hu Ching-shul is survived by a wife, five sons and four daughters. His eldest son, Mr. Hu Han-shing, is an official serving in the Canton Government.

Deceased was a well known Chinese scholar in his younger days and at various times he served the Canton Government in association with his younger brother, Mr. Hu Han-min. He was a firm believer in Buddhism.

DIGNITY OF A HUSBAND.

Court Concern for "Precise Official Nerves."

"By her unpunctuality this woman did not properly support the dignity of her husband, whose precise official nerves might become hopelessly unstrung as the result of such unpunctuality." So runs the solemn ruling of a Czech-Slovakian court, which has just pronounced a divorce decree in favour of the husband of a wife who was alleged to be unpunctually late.

NEW GERMAN BULLET

Is It Menace or Bluff?

DIVIDED VIEWS OF EXPERTS.

Mystery Explosive Suggested.

Speculation and rumour are busy with a new German invention, says The Daily Telegraph's Military Correspondent.

Is the extraordinarily high velocity of the Halgar-Ultra bullet due to some explained secret, more sensational in its possibilities than even the result already disclosed? Of its practical value to be discounted? Is it even, in reality, a gigantic bluff?

Among experts outside Germany one finds a marked divergence of views. Some ascribe the tremendous increase of velocity, more than double that of normal bullets, primarily to the use of a larger charge.

Question of "Kick." On the other hand, it is suggested that such a bullet-velocity may be obtained by employing a rifle with a barrel that tapers or narrows, towards the muzzle, coupled with the fact that the bullet itself is encased in soft metal.

Thereby the pressure may be maintained at its full intensity during the whole passage of the bullet through the barrel and the fullest effect of the propellant gases be gained. But certain American experts suggest that the prime cause of this epoch-making velocity lies in the cartridge.

It is remarked that the inventor, Herr Gerlich, has been very explicit as to the nature of his bullet, and fairly definite as to the rifle he uses, but that he has been curiously vague as to the explosive, merely speaking of "commercial nitro-cellulose propellants."

Experts also differ as to the practicability of the invention for ordinary military use. Here it is considered that the shock of discharge must be greater than that of the big game-shooting rifle, which in turn is greater than that allowed for the ordinary infantry soldier. Herr Gerlich's assertions to the contrary are doubted.

Wear of the Barrel. Still more importance is attached to the question of the wear of the barrel—a fundamental disadvantage. It is said that the barrel would be-

come red-hot after a comparatively few rounds had been fired and would wear out so rapidly that it would be useless for infantry purposes.

But on this vital question of erosion, the American experts already quoted are inclined to believe that this problem has been, or may be, overcome by new specialised steels which can withstand the increased expansion-pressure—without increasing the weight of the barrel.

They also say that the Frankfurt Arsenal has been working intensively on the erosion problem, and believe that a chromium plating of the interior of the rifle barrel will solve the problem. Success would have far-reaching influence on the outlook of future war.

Effect on Tanks. It would, for example, affect the whole anti-tank question, though the value of such forces as our independent Tank Brigade lies far more in its power of wide and quick manoeuvre than in the actual armouring of its machines.

What would be diminished is the value of slow and heavy assault tanks as used in the war, and retained by Continental armies since, to pave the way for the infantry. The French tank arm, for instance, is still largely composed of such machines destined for such a purpose.

This fact gives point to a suggestion one has heard privately mooted—that the new bullet has a large element of bluff. For while the German Army is deprived of tanks, the French has an important, and perhaps even decisive, advantage in this respect. It can count on its mass of massive "infantry" tanks to serve as the spearhead of attack. But the prospect of meeting an abundance of deadly anti-tank rifles would be a deterrent to launching any attack.

In support of this suggestion it is pointed out that the inventor has made no attempt to hide the existence of this armour-busting bullet, while being indefinite as the cause of its high velocity. I should hesitate to accept the suggestion, but it is at least plausible.

PROTECTION AGAINST PIRATES.

Shipowners And Payment Of Guards.

China Navigation Co. v. Attorney-General.—The right of the Crown to demand payment for the services of troops used for the protection of British shipping against piracy in Chinese waters was discussed on January 13 when the China Navigation Co., Ltd. appealed against a decision of Mr. Justice Rowlatt dismissing an action they brought against the Attorney-General claiming declarations that they were under no obligation to pay for such services.

Sir Leslie Scott, K.C., for the appellants, describing methods of piracy, said pirates came on board as passengers and at a suitable opportunity overpowered the officers, ran the ship into a pirate lair, and looted it. People were also taken prisoner and held to ransom. There had been great loss of life and property. Various methods had been adopted to deal with the menace, and finally naval or military guards were put on board British vessels.

This had been completely successful in preventing piracy. At first the shipowners were required to pay the messing expenses of the guards put on board their ships, and to this they did not object, but since the Spring of 1930 they had been compelled to pay the whole of the expenses of the guards.

The shipowners' contention was that this expense was covered by the House of Commons votes, to which they contributed as taxpayers, and there was no power, statutory or otherwise, which entitled the Crown, in its executive

capacity, to require payment for that service.

The hearing was adjourned. For appellants: Sir Leslie Scott, K.C., and Mr. Valentine Holmes (Thompson, Quarrell, and Attneave); for the Crown, the Attorney-General (Sir William Jowitt, K.C.), the Solicitor-General (Sir Thomas Inskip, K.C.), Mr. W. Lewis, and the Hon. S. O. Henn Collins (the Treasury Solicitor.—Daily Telegraph).

FORGETFUL BRIDEGROOM.

The absent-mindedness of a Llandudno bridegroom caused his marriage at St. James's Church, Rhododdu, Wrexham, to be postponed. He forgot to publish his marriage banns in a church within his own parish, and consequently the marriage could not take place.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of February 16, 1922.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/6 1/8.

An elderly Chinese was charged before Magistrate Wood this morning with having hawked vegetables in Yau-mat.

Denying the charge, defendant said, he was a beggar. He had picked up the vegetables at the Market. "They were rotten vegetables," he said. "No one would eat them as they are only fit for feeding fowls. I am a poor man and took them for food."

The Magistrate imposed a fine of 25 cents and cautioned defendant not to hawk.

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THE BITTER OUTLOOK

JUST A PIG—BUT A PIG WITH PERSONALITY.

And A Sequel.

From the first he had displayed a quality that distinguished him from the other eight. They were just good enough average pigs, well up to the admirable standard old Martha had maintained throughout her fertile life. He had personality. Jukes picked him out before he was a week old, not as a specimen that would do special credit to the stock or should be reserved for stud purposes—he was, if anything, a trifle under-sized—but as a rum 'un. A little later he earned the epithet "crafty," which in the Jukes household was as near as may be a translation of the American "cute." The children quite soon learnt to call him Charlie, a tribute to his quality, for none of his eight brothers and sisters achieved the dignity of a Christian name. The Jukes were not an imaginative family.

Precisely how Charlie differed from the ruck of pigs it is difficult to say. He had not the making of a scholar. If he had fallen by one of those coincidences that so rarely occur outside fiction into the hands of a showman he might have picked up many artful tricks, but would almost certainly never have had his name added to the roll of honour that contains the really learned pigs.

Nor had he in any marked degree that quality of special fitness for the battle of life which entitled him to survive in the rough and tumble of the farmyard. He was rarely first for the test or, later, the trough. He was not by nature a fighter, though when once engaged he exhibited a gift for strategy, and early in life once scored a remarkable victory by biting off the tip of a brother's tail. Yet there is abundant evidence to prove that in the world of men rather than in the welter of the farmyard Charlie's personality "stood out." Everyone noticed it. Even old Harrison, who knew as much about pigs in every condition as any man living, wagged his head and conceded that that there Charlie as they call him was a bit of a character.

Nevertheless, feeling acutely the responsibilities of the conscientious biographer, I realise the need for a further justification of my subject. I realise not less acutely that in this thing I am prejudiced by certain posthumous evidence that will presently appear. Nevertheless, speaking with as little bias as may be, I can honestly affirm that on the three occasions on which I had the privilege of studying Charlie, in action as it were, I was distinctly impressed—largely, it seems to me now, by his marked versatility. Admirable comedian as he was he had strange fits of abstraction and melancholy. In the very midst of a finely staged encounter with, it might be, a cabbage-stalk, he would pause, brood profoundly over his trampled foe, and then

trot thoughtfully away with an air of turning his attention to some greater and worthier ambition than the arts of the clown. Finally, he had, above all else, the gift of winning popularity in the world of mankind. There was a forthrightness about his glance and the lift of his nose, a blend of humour, pathos, and, above all, confidence that inevitably evoked one's liking, almost, I might say, one's love.

Alas, that that confidence should have been betrayed! But, as old Harrison truly says, "The bounden duty of pigs is to become pork."

Mrs. Jukes has told me that she saw something out of the way had happened when her husband came into the kitchen to wash; and her woman's intuition found instant expression in the question, "George, you 'avent 'Aye," Jukes responded heavily.

Mrs. Jukes sighed and went on with her scrubbing. "Oh! well, she said, because when you keep a farm that sort of thing is always happening. And it was not until after supper that she realised from her husband's gloom that this was something really out of the way. "Oh! well," she encouraged him again. "They all of 'em 'as to go sometime."

"Twadn't only that," Jukes said. "What, then?" his wife asked. "Queer, that's what it was," Jukes said. "Didn't 'ardly at all, and died quick, too. But when I laid 'old on 'im, it seemed like as if he knowed what I was after. Turned, he did, 'e continued uneasy, 'and gave me a bitter look. Aye, that was what it were, a bitter look."

The morlist may well pause there and reflect on the last regard thrown by thwarted genius on the unfeeling, unseeing world he leaves while his work is still unrecognised, unhonoured. But the biographer has another task, and in this case I have still to record the sequel. For it would seem that the evil that pigs do may live after them, although the good is never interred with their bones.

It was, in fact, only some two or three days later, although by then all regret had passed from the minds of the unimaginative Jukes family, that Jukes, himself, after a hearty meal, remarked suddenly as he was retrospectively picking his teeth, that he thought that pork had had a bitter taste. "I suppose it wadn't . . . ?" he added.

"Charlie? O' course it was," his wife said. "Oh! well," Jukes remarked philosophically. But it was not well at all with Jukes, and grew ever less well as the weeks went by, for death by trichinosis is prolonged and very painful.

It was queer that of all the Jukes family he should have been the only one to suffer.—Manchester Guardian.

CHINESE APPLY OLD PROVERB TO MODERN MOTORIST.

" . . . and the sins of the fathers shall be visited upon the children even unto the third and fourth generations."

But the old proverb mentioned nothing about the sins of omission and commission by others outside the family circle.

But leave it to some of the Chinese officials to find a way to applying archaic ideas to modern times. There is one motorist in town who has learned that, so far as China is concerned, there is always something new under the sun.

This foreigner recently purchased a second-hand car from a local garage. He proceeded to equip himself with all the licences necessary for free and unrestrained driving in any part of this licence-burdened city. He had no difficulty with the foreign authorities. His next step was to secure a driving permit from the Chinese. Yes, the Chinese official was per-

fectly willing to issue the licence, but on certain conditions only. Provided the applicant would pay the amount of licence fees still owing by the previous owner, the Chinese authorities were prepared to cry quits.

But, expostulated the foreigner, the licence fees of the previous owner were no concern of his. He did not even know the previous owner. He had bought the car second-hand from a garage. Should he also pay the outstanding gasoline account of the previous owner? he wished to know. And, probably the back rent of his apartment?

That was a matter which the new owner would have to decide for himself, explained the Chinese official. Some one had to pay, and the official indicated that it was a matter of indifference to him where the spindulke came from.

The new owner has decided that, so long as it was produced, under present conditions, he has no desire to travel on outside roads and is wondering whether the next payment will have to be made in Yen. —Shanghai Times.

SHARE MARKET.

Operators in a "Wait and See" Mood.

VERY QUIET.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: The opening session this morning was, if anything, even quieter than yesterday's, and, generally speaking, operators would seem to be adopting a "wait and see" policy.

Sales.

Union Insurance, \$400. Providents (old), \$5. Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14½. Telephones, \$23½. Dairy Farms, \$30. Constructions (old), \$5¼. Buyers. Chinese Estates, \$95. Dairy Farms, \$29¼. Amusements, \$18.25. Constructions (old), \$5.15. Constructions (new), \$1.80. Govt. Loans, 3 per cent. Prem. Sellers. Docks, \$29.

POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current Week.

Orders issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

Chinese Company. Training Course—Part II.—There will be no Part II. of Training Course to-day.

Defendu Class.—There will be no defendu class on Wednesday. Part I of Training Course on Thursday.

N. C. Os. Class.—There will be no N.C.Os. Class on Friday.

Indian Company. Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday February 25 for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Fall in 5.30 p.m. sharp, under P./Sgt. R. J. Hunt. Dress—Blue uniform, cap with white cover, belt, truncheon, whistle, armband and badge. "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

Flying Squad. The following notification in the Hong Kong Government Gazette is repeated for information of all ranks.

The Hong Kong Government Gazette of February 12, Notification No. 99.

"His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Benjamin Cutler Randall to be an Assistant Superintendent of Police (Reserve) and to be in command of the Flying Squad Section Police Reserve."

Race Duty.—Members who are detailed for duty at the Races will parade at Central Police Station on the following days February 20, 22, 23, 24, and 27 at 10 a.m.

Reserve Emergency Unit. Strength.—The following members have been taken on the strength of the Reserve Emergency Unit as from February 13, 1932:—

Constable R449 B. J. Murray and R450 R. L. Marshall.

Constable R434 M. Greenberg has been permitted to resign with effect from February 5, 1932. The following members have been struck off the strength of the Reserve Emergency Unit as from February 4, 1932:—

Constable R409 A. H. Hartzen, R415 R. C. O'Shea and R428 C. L. Gan.

Revolver Instruction Class.—A class in revolver instruction will be held in the office of the O. I. C. Co. to-day at 5.15 p.m. The following members to attend:—

Constable R408 F. Reed, R425 G. Wilson, R439 J. Elphinstone, R440 L. Blumenthal, R441 B. Bickford, R442 J. Bickertaff, R443 W. Broadbridge, R444 N. Vargassoff, R445 C. Fisher, R446 S. Bercovitch, R447 V. E. Koppe, R449 B. Murray and R450 R. Marshall.

Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Kennedy Road Range on Friday, at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble outside Queen's Pier at 5.10 p.m. with their belts, holsters and revolvers. Uniform optional.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING M.P. (a.)

It is a matter of life and death to cross important thoroughfares, as it was in 1890 to cross the Alameda or in 1870 to cross Housatonic Heath. —Sir Charles O'Connell.

"ZIMMY."

Legless Wonder Coming Here.

ON FRIDAY.

Charles Zimmermann, otherwise "Zimmy," the legless wonder, who is at present thrilling Manila with his exhibitions of swimming and high diving, arrives at Hong Kong by the President Cleveland on Friday.

During his stay here, Zimmy will give several exhibitions. Arrangements have also been made for his appearance on the stage of the King's Theatre.

Zimmy intends later to proceed to England where he hopes to make an attempt on the cross-channel swimming record, at present held by G. Michel.

Zimmy already holds the world's endurance swimming record, made in July last year at Honolulu, swimming constantly for 100 hours 15 seconds. His high diving record stands at 157 feet.

DEBRET TELLS A STORY.

Mother's Dilemma In Naming A Child.

Every year for 210 years a new volume of "Debrett, that complete record of the names and families of the distinguished people of Britain has appeared with unflinching regularity.

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"One day the Registrar went to a house to register a birth, a house where there were already numerous family. The mother said she could not possibly have it done then, as she had not found a name for the child.

"Oh! never mind about that. Let us find one for him. How about Sidney?"

"She thought that would do very well."

"And Herbert?" Yes, that was very nice, too.

"That was agreed on, and the entry in the birth book duly made."

"Leaving the house, the Registrar had not gone far before the woman ran after him, shouting, 'Come back, come back, I have another Sidney Herbert upstairs."

"Which was the case, and she had entirely forgotten him. So after explaining to her that an entry once completed could not be altered, a compromise was made by adding the name 'James.' And as James the boy grew up, leaving the more imposing name to his elder brother."

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Cost Expected To Be \$9,000,000.

The cost of the Harbour Bridge is now expected to be \$9,000,000. This figure includes the cost of re-emption, the residues of which may later return \$1,000,000.

Alterations to awards and the 44-hour week have increased the original estimate by \$720,000, of which about \$500,000 has been incurred on Dorman Long and Company's contract. The contract was for \$217,271 but provision was made for adjustments on account of such variations.

Accrued interest is estimated to amount to more than \$1,250,000. The cost of the bridge and approaches will be \$4,250,000; the balance being made up by re-emption interest and award variations.

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Case Against Motorist Dismissed.

At Barnsley, Frank Wood, glass manufacturer, Park House, Barnsley, a borough magistrate and a former member of the Town Council, pleaded not guilty to a charge under the Road Traffic Act of leaving a car without having set the brakes "so as to prevent two, at least, of the wheels from revolving."

Chief Constable Butler said the car, which was left on a hill, ran down the hill while the defendant was inside a shop. The car mounted the pavement and went through the window of a millinery establishment.

It was stated that a girl and a doctor, who tried to save her, were injured.

A constable said the defendant's explanation was that he had left a fox terrier in the back seat of the car, and that while he was in the shop the dog, in jumping to the front seat, pushed a cushion against the brake lever, which set the car in motion.

The officer said that in five tests a similar thing happened twice. The brakes were in perfect order.

A solicitor submitted that, though the defendant was responsible for the dog, he could not be held criminally responsible for the dog's action. He did not wish to shirk his responsibility from a civil point of view.

The Chairman said the Bench, with a single exception, were unanimous in being prepared to accept the explanation of the accident, and they dismissed the case.

\$20,000 KORAN.

Part Of Famous Manuscript Missing.

A manuscript copy of the Koran, estimated to be worth \$20,000, has disappeared from the Mosque of Al-akras, according to a message from Jerusalem.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 8th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1932.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

COMPANY MEETINGS

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th February, to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1932.

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HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 18th February, to MONDAY, the 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 10th February, 1932.

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General Managers.
Hong Kong, 10th February, 1932.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 15th March, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 1st March, 1932, to TUESDAY, the 15th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. E. ELLAMS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 15th February, 1932.

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SPORTS NOTICES.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932
20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th February, 1932.

ON SATURDAY 20th, MONDAY 22nd, TUESDAY 23rd, and WEDNESDAY 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, the 27th February, the first bell will be rung at 1 p.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

The fifteen interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

A limited number of Tifins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons, including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tifins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building. Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1932.

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Information has been received that the Siberian route is interrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risk. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

INWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16.
Straits Cremer
Batavia Tjibadak
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17.
Calcutta and Straits Kum Sang
Saigon Andre Lebon
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18.
Australia and Manila Atsuta Maru
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19.
Manila President Cleveland
Japan Hakusan Maru
Japan Shinyo Maru
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, Jan. 21) Kashima Maru
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 30) Empress of Japan
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Jan. 22) President Garfield
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Jan. 29) Pres. Lincoln

OUTWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16.
Amoy Soochow 3.30 p.m.
Foochow Newchwang 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow Tai Hing 4 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17.
Swatow Cremer 8.30 a.m.
Haiphong G.G. Maurice Long II. 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia Andre Lebon 2.30 p.m.
Amoy Kwei Yang 3.30 p.m.
Saigon Ning Hai 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18.
Holhow and Haiphong Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Manila Asama Maru 2.30 p.m.
Swatow Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Amoy Kum Sang 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19.
Japan Atsuta Maru 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ching 1 p.m.
Japan and Canada President Cleveland (Due Victoria, B.C., Mar. 8.)
Parcels Feb. 19, 3 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles Hakusan Maru. (Due Marseilles March 19.)
K.P.O. Registration Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m.
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Mr. W. A. B. Hamilton, who won the first place for Aberdeen, has been appointed to the Board of Education. Aberdeen University supplied another successful candidate, who won the seventh place, and was assigned to the India Office.

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On demand 95 1/4
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Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	\$	1390	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(Lon. Reg.)	L	001		
Chartered Bank	\$	111	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	\$	...	...	111	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(C. L.)	C	...	...	111		
Bank of Asia	\$	...	...	1371	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	\$	...	...	1850	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Union Ins.	\$	...	400	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
China Underwriters	\$	...	4521	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
China Fire Ins.	\$	590	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$	1250	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
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Douglases	\$...	261	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Steamboats	\$	23	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Indo-China (Pref.)	\$	...	...	45	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(Def.)	\$	...	...	32	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Shanghai Bearer	\$	...	43/9	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Union Waterboats	\$	45	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Mining.						
Benguet	\$...	111	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
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Langkat (Single)	\$	1	Oct.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Shanghai Exploration	\$	110	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Loans	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Raubs	\$...	59	...	Mar.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Venezuela Gold Fields	\$	Mar.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
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(new)	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
N. Engineering	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Shanghai Docks	\$	Apr.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
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H. K. & S. H. (old)	\$	1410	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Lands	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Shanghai Lands	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Humphreys	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Realities	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Chinese Estates	\$	...	...	...	Feb.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons	\$	...	141	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Shanghai Cotton	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Zoong Sings	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Peak Tram (old)	\$	...	...	...	Apr.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	...	...	...	Apr.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Star Ferries	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Yau Ma Tei Ferries	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
China Light (old)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Electric	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Macao	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Sandakan Lights	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Tels. fully paid	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(part paid)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
China Buses	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(Pref.)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Industrial.						
Malayan Sugars	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Cald; Marg. Ord.	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(Pref.)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Canton Ice	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Cements (com.)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(old)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
H. K. Ropes	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
China Agriculture	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Watsons	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Der A Wings	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Lang Grawford (old)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
(new)	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Mackintosh	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Sincere	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
Wm. Powells	\$	Dec.	[Final Div. 1931] \$1.75 per share
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Honolulu Maru	Fri.	19th Feb.
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BRITISH SHIPPING INDUSTRY

HOW IT IS AFFECTED BY TARIFFS.

The effect of tariffs on the British shipping industry is discussed in "Lloyd's List" review of 1921.

Mr. A. L. Ayre, a former president of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, writes: "British shipbuilders have no desire to do other than 'Buy British.' But a ship is an article whose use is on the high seas, continuously engaged in international trade, and it is an essential aim in the economic policy of the British shipbuilding industry to provide British shipowners with British ships at capital costs as low as other nationals are able to obtain them in their own countries. An indiscriminate application of a general tariff would be a serious matter for the shipbuilding industry of Britain and would have serious repercussions on British shipowners should an increase in the cost of ships and of their maintenance be brought about in that way. Certainly it is essential that in connection with the introduction of any tariff, whether emergency or permanent, the special position of the shipbuilding industry should receive the fullest consideration if its very existence is not to be endangered."

Mr. L. C. Harris, director of the Ellerman and Bucknall Steamship Company, says: "The year has been one of patient endurance for shipowners, and if it were not their habit to take a long view they might well be alarmed at the prospects resulting from the landslide in the general election. Quite apart from

the old party shibboleths, shipowners live by an ample distribution of trade, and the political action of the near future, it seems, will first have the effect of restricting trade. Shipowners, however, are accustomed to realise that their prosperity depends upon the prosperity of others, and as the world's prosperity seems in such a considerable measure to depend upon the prosperity of this British Empire and of this England, we must still wait patiently in the full expectation that measures taken to restore the health of this country and this Empire will tend towards the restoration of the health of the world and of our world-wide shipping trade."

Mr. R. D. Kitson, president of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers, writing on iron and steel, says that the ratio of imports of steel in all forms to the production of steel, which was about 30 per cent. in 1921, has this year been about 55 per cent., and declares: "The position of the British iron and steel industry would be substantially improved if the proportion could be reduced and if the greater portion of the limited demand could be met from home production, and it is strange that the Government have not yet considered that this large import of steel is a clear case of abnormal imports and that they have not included iron and steel in the list of products which it is protecting by means of orders of the Board of Trade."

CASTAWAYS AT COCOS ISLAND.

Coconuts The Only Food For Six Months.

The crew of the auxiliary yacht Camargo, which had been visiting Suva while on a world tour, related the adventures of three castaways whom they found on Cocos Island. Last October the Camargo was on Cocos Island, in the South East Pacific. The landing party found a camp with a note dated two days previously and stating that three men had gone to the other side of the island in search of coconuts for food. A search party set out to find the men, but the dense jungle made the task impossible. The yacht weighed anchor and went to the other side of the island, and the men were seen on the beach, but owing to heavy seas and rough weather no boat could be landed. After cruising off the shore for five days the yacht sent a radio to Balboa and left the island.

The United States Gunboat Sacramento received the message and went to Cocos Island and rescued the three men who were Americans named Paul Stachwick, Gordon Brawner, and Elmer J. Palliser. It seems that the men set out in December last in a 25-ton auxiliary Yawl West Wind bound for Easter Island. The vessel was wrecked on

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, February 14.
G. G. Maurice Long II., French str., 579 tons, Capt. H. Cour-
goux, from Haiphong, buoy
No. B11.—Yik Tai & Co.
Monday, February 15.
Apoey, British str., 1,776 tons,
Capt. C. Boyce, from Swatow,
buoy No. A12.—Jensen & Co.
Delagos Maru, Japanese str., 6,983
tons, Capt. H. Takasu, from
Dairen, buoy No. A8.—N.Y.K.
Menado Maru, Japanese str., 1,285
tons, Capt. K. Masuda, from
Hohow, buoy No. C1.—O.S.K.
President Grant, American str.,
8,405 tons, Capt. W. A. Ross,
from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.
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Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons,
Capt. J. K. Clark, from Can-
ton, buoy No. B19.—B. & S.
Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons,
Capt. H. Gifford, from Canton,
buoy No. B15.—B. & S.
Yat Shing, British str., 1,425 tons,
Capt. J. Moodle, from Canton,
buoy No. B2.—J.M. & Co.

Cocos Island and the castaways found that the island was uninhabited and without foodstuffs except coconuts on which they lived for six months. Even coconuts were scarce. The dense jungle made the task of gathering them difficult.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

The following arrived in Hong Kong by the President Grant yesterday:—

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Bruce—In dock.
Cornflower—North wall.
Cumberland—No. 3 buoy.
Herald—East wall.
Hermes—No. 1 buoy.
Marazion—North wall.
Medway & subs.—No. 2 buoy.
Pandora—In dock.
Proteus—In dock.
Tamar—Basin.
Tarantula—South wall.
Whitehall—West wall.

Foreign Men-of-War.

Inconstant—French minesweeper.
Mindanao—American river gun-boat.

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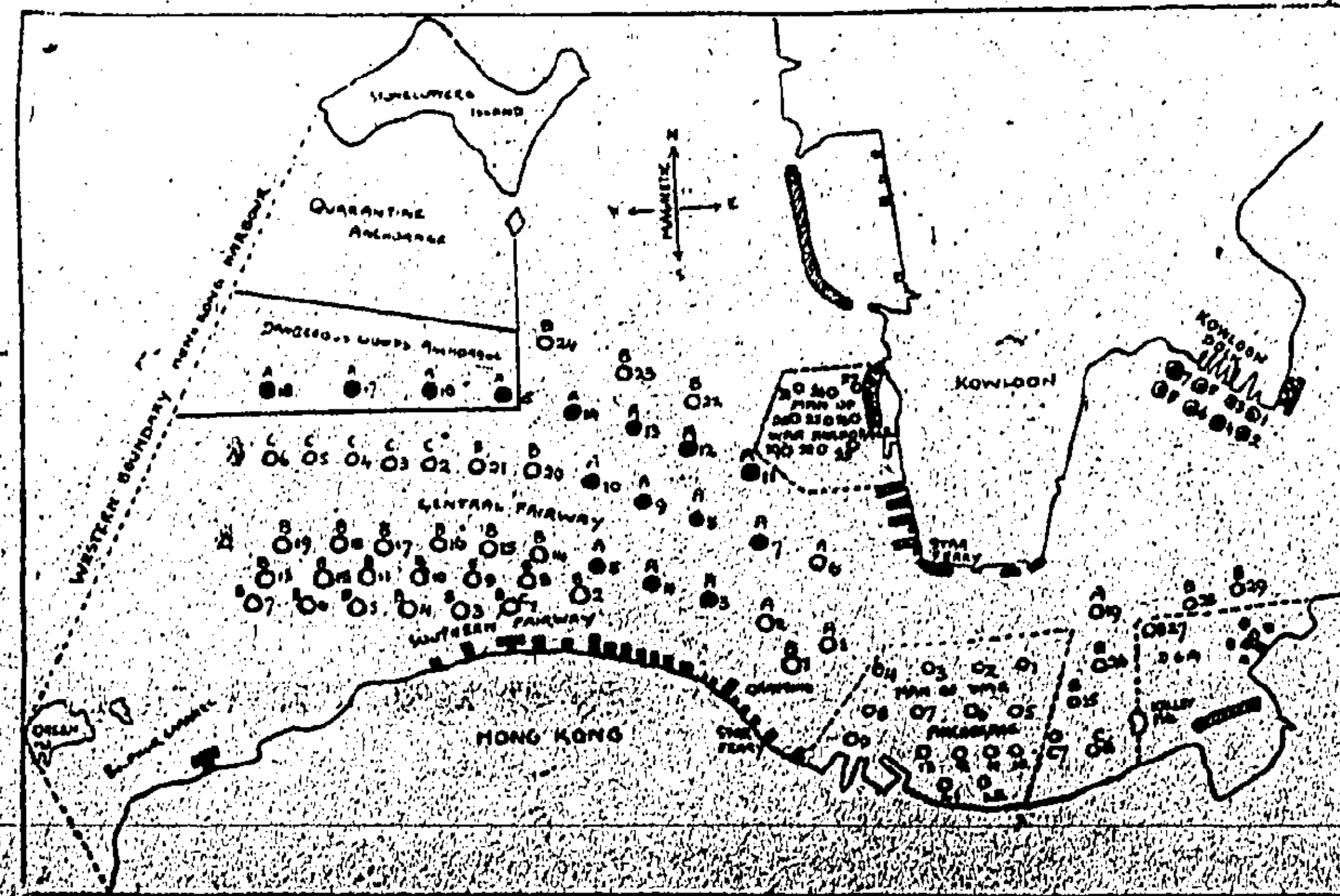
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Emp. of Asia Mar. 25	Mar. 28	Mar. 29	Mar. 31	Apr. 2	Apr. 4	Apr. 6
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RADIO TOPICS

THE VALUE OF THE DULL-
EMITTER VALVESCOMBATING THE DANGER OF
BURNING-OUT.

The coming of the dull-emitter—and the very dull-emitter-type of valve has largely done away with the danger of actually burning out the filament under operating conditions, that is, apart from accidental short-circuits and similar causes. In the old days—it seems the old days, although I suppose it is not more than four or five years ago—when bright-emitter filaments were the order of the day (consuming anything from 7 to one and a half amperes), and when the filament was operated in a really incandescent condition there was always the danger of applying a little extra current which just put it "over the mark."

Apart from this altogether, the life of any filament, whether a valve filament or that of an incandescent electric lamp, is very much shortened as the operating temperature approaches nearer to the fusing point.

Heating Current.

However, as bright-emitter filaments have had their day, there is little point in considering them any further, and we may better turn our attention to the dull-emitter type, says the Wireless Correspondent of the Malay Mail.

Electronic Emission.

The life of a dull-emitter filament, however, may for practical purposes come to an end even though the filament be perfectly intact and apparently in good condition. As you know, the electronic emissivity of a dull-emitter filament depends mainly upon the presence in the metal of certain impurities artificially added.

During the operating life of the filament these impurities are gradually used up and consequently there is an inevitable decline in the efficiency. This decline, however, in the case of a good quality filament, is comparatively slow, and if the operating conditions are carefully observed, a long and useful life should be obtained.

But if the specified conditions as regards operating temperature (which in practice means filament current) are not properly observed, and if you run the filament continuously at a temperature distinctly higher than the intended temperature, then the decline in the efficiency is very much hastened and although the filament may, to all appearances, be perfectly good and sound, the valve may function very poorly, in comparison with what it did originally.

Distortion.

There is a great temptation to raise the temperature of a dull-emitter filament above the normal, because in that way an increased volume of reproduction may often be obtained (usually with plenty of distortion), and it requires a certain amount of self-control on the part of an operator, particularly if he happens to be more or less a beginner.

ginner, to avoid the temptation to "ginger up" the volume by turning up his filament rheostats just a little.

I advise all amateurs to check up the filament-current passing through each valve from time to time—say every month—with a reliable ammeter.

Dull-emitter filaments, more particularly in smaller valves consuming a current in the region of one-tenth of an ampere, are, as a rule, rather fragile, and therefore mechanical shocks to the filaments should be carefully guarded against.

Precautions.

I suppose everybody uses anti-microphonic holders in these days. At any rate, one ought always to be used—and care should be taken when inserting and withdrawing the valves, especially when withdrawing. I have known perfectly good valves to have their filaments fractured by being carelessly pulled out of the valve holder.

To sum up the foregoing precautions, you should be very careful to run your filaments at the right temperature so as to avoid rapid loss of emissive power; you should naturally take great care to avoid accidental short-circuits or the access of the H.T. into the filament circuit; and you should be very careful to prevent jars or mechanical shocks from reaching the valve.

Diameter of Filament.

I mentioned above that some modification might be necessary with regard to the statement as to the burning-out of the dull-emitter filament.

Although the filament as a whole operates at a temperature far below the melting point, nevertheless, if there happens to be any inequality in the diameter of the filament (as is sometimes the case), the thin point will naturally be at a higher temperature than the rest of the filament.

This means that, owing to distortion, the thinner and hotter part will lose diameter more rapidly than the rest of the filament, and therefore the discrepancy will, in course of time, become more pronounced instead of less pronounced, that is, the difference in temperature between the thin spot and the rest of the filament will become greater instead of less as time goes on.

The result may be that, eventually, although the temperature of the filament as a whole is kept more or less to the normal value there may be a "hot spot," the temperature of which is far above the normal, and in course of time the filament either burns out or breaks at this thin part.

Screened-Grid Voltages.

Talking about screened-grid valves, there is one point with regard to the H.T. values which I think is not always quite clear, especially to beginners. This is the question of keeping up the H.T. voltages to their proper values, and where H.T. dry batteries are used there is sometimes a danger of the applied H.T. voltage falling far short of the intended rating.

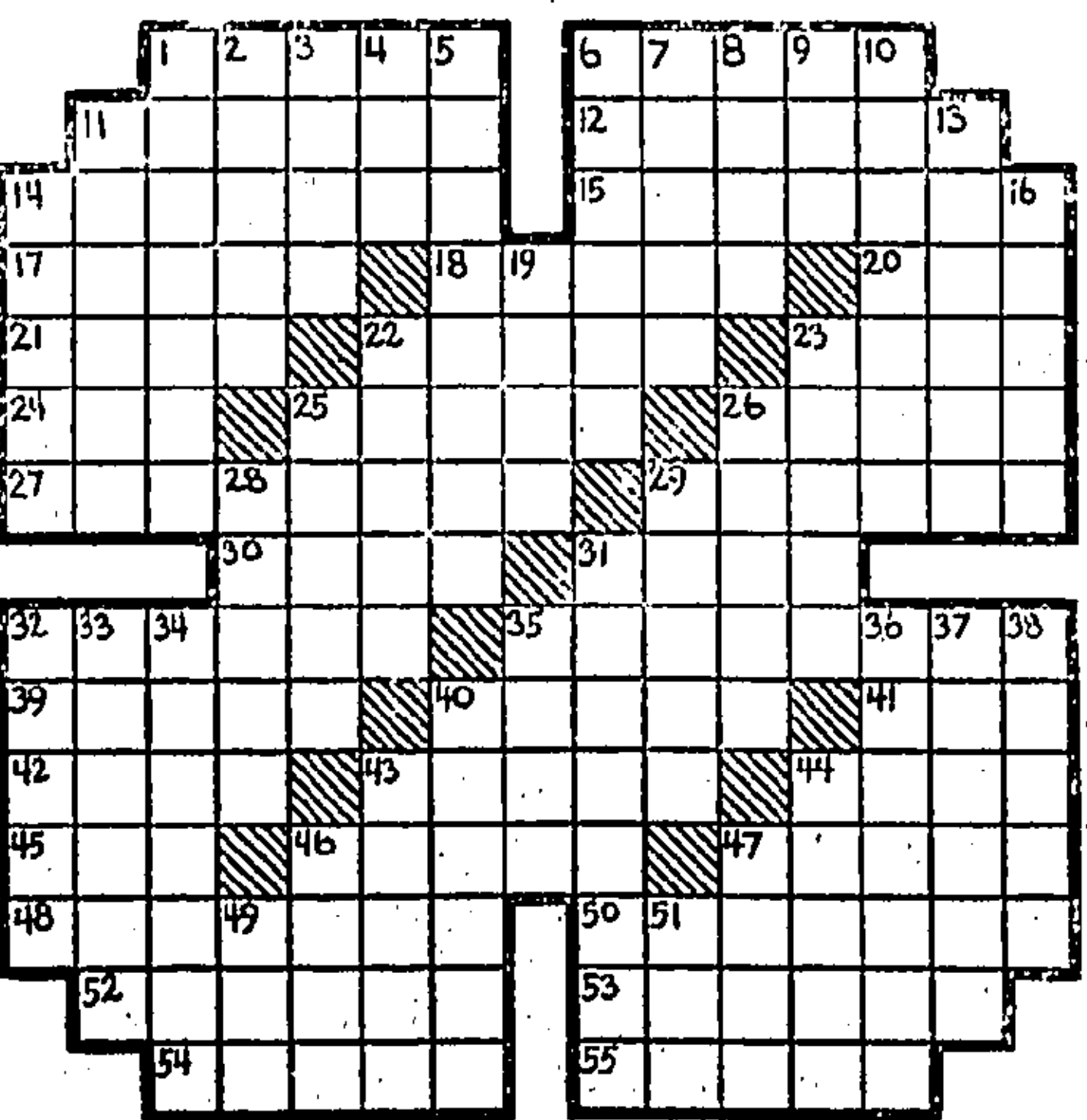
In this respect the screened-grid valve, when supplied with a waning H.T. voltage, behaves quite differently from an ordinary three-electrode valve. With the latter, if the voltage falls off there is usually nothing more serious than a gradual—or in some cases a fairly rapid—diminution in the volume of the reproduction.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Begin
- 6—A flower
- 11—Political henchman
- 12—Snake with cold or fear
- 14—Mention by implication
- 15—Comforts
- 17—Dodge
- 18—Prevent
- 20—Frozen dessert
- 21—Permits
- 22—Fixed gaze
- 23—Luminous body
- 24—Anger
- 25—Pigment
- 26—Not fresh
- 27—Mitigates
- 28—Coolie
- 30—Entrails
- 31—Early
- 32—Return
- 33—One who besets
- 34—Wise saying
- 35—Religious organizations
- 41—Cutting tool
- 42—Prof's
- 43—Gallies
- 44—Paints

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 45—Greek E
- 46—Fertilizer
- 47—Steer
- 48—Fastened
- 50—Lodgers
- 52—Ridicule
- 53—Skillful
- 54—ire
- 55—Those who color things

VERTICAL

- 1—Law making body (pl.)
- 2—Contributes
- 3—Succulent plant
- 4—Steep, as flux
- 5—Formal agreements
- 6—Declare
- 7—Prop
- 8—Lean
- 9—Girl's name
- 10—Musical entertainment
- 11—Fifties over
- 13—Suburban back
- 14—Girl's name
- 15—Withers

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 19—Drays
- 22—Wise men
- 23—Limit
- 25—Cessation
- 26—Footwear
- 28—Custom
- 29—Expense
- 31—Divided into sectors
- 32—Degrees of value
- 33—Prepared for publication
- 34—Cure-all
- 35—Legume
- 36—Carriers which handle straw in threshing
- 37—Send to foreign countries
- 38—Reposse
- 40—One who works a garden
- 45—Undressed kid
- 46—Automobile device
- 47—A grasshopper
- 48—"Rakey" or Man
- 49—Vase
- 51—Combining form.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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Roast	21	23	12
Cornd	23	24	23
Breast	20	20	18
Soup	27	20	18
Steak Sirloin	23	24	22
Sausages	46	30	35
Sausages	86	30	30
Bullock's Brains	per set 17	10	13
Tongue, fresh	each 75	50	60
Tongue, corned	—	60	—
Head	—	1.20	—
Heart	lb. 24	13	14
Hump, Salt	—	20	18
Feet	each 13	10	13
Kidneys	15	10	12
Tail	27	20	22
Liver	lb. 34	13	14
Tripe	8	6	7

Calves' Head & Feet

Mutton Chop

Leg

Shoulder

Saddle

Pig's Chittlings

Brains

Feet

Fry

Head

Heart

Kidneys

Liver

Pork Chop

Leg

Loin

Fat or Lard

Sheep's Head & Feet

Heart

Kidneys

Liver

Sucking Pigs, to order

Suet, Beef

Mutton

Veal

Sausages

No. 1.

Fish.

Barbel

Bream

Canton Fresh Water

Carp

Catfish

Codfish

Crabs

Cuttle Fish

Dab

Dace

Dog Fish

Sole, Conger

Fresh Water

Yellow

Frogs

Garoupe

Gudgeon

Herring

Halibut

Labrus

Loach

Lobsters

Mackerel

Milk Fish

Mullet

Oysters

Parrot Fish

Pike

Plaice

Pomfret, White

Pomfret, Black

Prawns

Ray

Rock Fish

Seahorse

Shark

Skate

Shrimps

Skipper

Soles

Tench

Turbot

Turtles, small fr. water

Poultry.

	1932.	1918.	1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Chicken	lb. 66	30	31
Capon, Small	—	62	28
Capon, Large	—	68	28
Duck	—	48	22
Doves	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	each	—	18
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	—	40	25
Fowls, Canton	lb. 80	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	—	60	25
Geese	—	45	24
Pigeons, Canton	each	55	30
—	—	45	29
Turkeys, Cook	lb. 80	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	—	70	61
Snipe	each	80	—
Pheasant	pair	2.25	—
Quail	each	40	—
Partridges	—	1.00	—

Fruits.

	1932.	1918.	1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Almonds	lb. 1.20	35	—
Apples (California)	—	24	26
Bananas (Bride's)	—	6	4
Carambola	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	each	14	10
Lemons, China	lb. 10	25	30
Lemons (American)	each	12	8
Litchies, Dried	lb. 1.00	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	—	26	—
Oranges	—	20	15
Pears (Canton)	—	30	—
Peanuts	lb. 14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	—	12	—
Plantain	—	8	—
Pumpkin, Siam	each	15	12
Walnuts	lb. 30	—	16
Grapes	—	60	—

Vegetables, &c.

	1932.	1918.	1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Artichokes	each	12	—
Beans, Sprout	lb. 6	—	7
—	—	12	—
Best Root	—	8	24
Bitter Squash	—	8	5
Brijafala, Green	—	8	5
—	—	12	12
Cabbage, Chinese	—	10	—
—	—	12	12
Cane Shoots, bunch	—	4	—
Cauliflower (Large)	each	30	—
—	—	25	—
—	—	18	6
Carrots	lb. 6	5	6
Celery, Chinese	—	18	10
Chillies, Dried	—	18	25
—	—	14	10
—	—	10	10
—	—	10	12
Curry Stuff, English	—	10	8
Cucumbers	—	2	—
Garlic	—	8	6
Ginger, Young	—	10	7
—	—	8	20
Horseradish, Shanghai	—	60	8
Indian Corn	each	10	45
Lettuce	lb. 6	1	—
Water Chestnuts	—	12	—
—	—	14	—
Mushrooms, Fresh	—	1	10
Okra	—	10	8
Onions, Bombay	—	6	4
—	—	8	6
—	—	30	60
Parsley	—	8	—
Potato, Sweet	—	8	—
—	—	8	—
Pumpkin	—	5	4
Radish	—	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	—	—	10
Shallots	—	8	—
Spinach	—	12	4
Tomatoes	—	6	7
Taro	—	6	6
Turnip, Puri (Long)	—	10	4
Vegetable Marrow	—	15	15
Water Cress	—	6	15

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BETTER OUTLOOK IN INDIA.

Agitation Definitely
on Decrease.

INCIDENT IN TIPPERAH DISTRICT OF BENGAL.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Sir Samuel Hoare said in the House of Commons to-day, that Provincial Government's reports indicated an improvement in the Peshawar district, and a very satisfactory situation in other districts of the North-West Frontier Province.

Sustained improvement was also reported in the United Provinces, confirming the view that agitation was now definitely on the decrease. There are indications that the apex had been reached in several other provinces—Bengal, Bihar and Orissa, Central Provinces and the Punjab.

A very satisfactory situation prevailed in the Bombay Presidency, and, in Bombay city, there was some indication of improvement.

Generally there were very few instances of violence.

The chief activity of Congress is now boycott. Underground agitation continues, but, at present, gives little cause for anxiety.

On February 13, in the Tipperah district of Bengal, the police were attacked and forced to fire. Three persons were killed.

The situation in Kashmir and Jammu was much easier, but reactions on communal feeling in British India, especially in the Punjab, are more marked.—British Wireless Service.

EMPIRE BROADCASTING.

Postmaster-General's Statement.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Postmaster-General, in the House of Commons to-day said that work of constructing the new station for Empire broadcasting was in hand, and that the British Broadcasting Corporation hoped to provide a regular service from the station before the end of the year.

The scheme, he added, was being financed out of the Corporation's revenue, and no question of Overseas' contribution would be raised, until the service had been established.—British Wireless Service.

PLANE RECORD.

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Having as many as eighteen planes in flight at one time and never less than twelve planes in the air at any hour of the day or night, the United States Air Line is believed to hold the record for the number of planes in service.

According to a Reuter's message from Washington, the House of Representatives has passed the Credit Extension Bill. This will now release a thousand million dollars of "free gold" in the Federal Reserve Bank, which gold will be used to thaw the frozen assets of a thousand banks.

BRITISH FISHING INDUSTRY.

How It May Be
Aided.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Proposals in the report of the sub-committee of the Civil Research Committee appointed to investigate the condition of the fishing industry, include a recommendation, that the question of imposing restrictions on the importation of white fish, of which some three million pounds worth are imported annually, should be considered by Government in connection with any steps taken to improve the balance of trade.—British Wireless Service.

VARSITY DEBATE.

Native Doctors and Western Trained Practitioners.

PROPOSAL LOST.

A debate between the Education Society and the Medical Society of the Hong Kong University was held in the Union Assembly Hall last night, the subject being

"That native doctors should be replaced by western trained practitioners."

Messrs. Yeoh Guan-eng and Tan Hee-choo, were proposer and seconder respectively, while Mr. Chon Koxik was ably assisted by Miss K. Lai as the opposition. The chair was occupied by Mr. Li Ka-tung, of the Education Society.

Mr. Eng said that the question of native doctors came into prominence because of the superiority of western trained practitioners. He contended that the western trained practitioner was better than the native doctor, not only because he was in possession of his diplomas, but also because he had a systematic training, was trustworthy, and observed a strict medical etiquette, especially in relation to the Drug Act; and he underwent a system of training that took six years to complete.

Mr. Koxik, in reply, pointed out that it would be impossible to discuss such a subject without going into the native system, which was based on over 5,000 years' experience, an experience of trial and error. No native doctor could continue his practice if he killed one or two of his patients—he contended that the native system had stood the test of time.

Miss Lai pointed out that the speakers for the proposal had not mentioned the innumerable cases where diseases, incurable according to western standards, had been cured by native doctors, and said that if the native doctors were replaced by western practitioners, no one would make a study of the valuable medicinal contributions the former have made, which would eventually be lost to the world.

Professor W. J. Gerrard, in reply to a statement by Miss Lai, said that Western practitioners would be only too glad to utilise the native herbal medicines, if they were found beneficial.

A vote was put to the meeting, and by a narrow margin a negative vote was recorded, 42 voting for, and 48 against, the proposal.

INTREPID ANZAC AIR PILOT.

Amazing Aerial
Repairs.

WHILE FLYING.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

Wellington, Yesterday.

Hanging head downward, for over an hour, while a passenger was clinging on to a strap lashed to his heels, and a fellow-pilot was heading the machine through a rainstorm, air pilot. Blackmore successfully completed amazing aerial repairs to the machine.

Blackmore, with colleagues, was participating in mass formation flying over New Plymouth, when, in attempting to land, the machine bumped heavily, breaking a bolt on one of the landing wheels.

Blackmore, realising what this meant, at once opened the throttle and flew off again shouting "I am off to Hamilton," where his home and the aerodrome are situated. En route he carried out repairs to the wheel in mid-air and landed safely at Hamilton.

TEN YEARS' HARD FOR ACID THROWING.

"Disgusting & Revolting Crime."

On a charge of throwing corrosive acid fluid on a man, Wong Tong, in Shing Wong Street, on October 30 last, Tsui Pun was found guilty by a jury at the Criminal Sessions this morning, and sentenced to ten years' hard labour by the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell).

His Lordship, in passing sentence, said that prisoner had been rightly convicted of a most disgusting and revolting crime. Moreover, prisoner had been a coward in that he attacked Wong Tong, whilst he was asleep.

MAN'S PREJUDICE AGAINST WOMAN.

Even In School Arithmetic Books.

A complaint of prejudice against women, even in school arithmetic books, was made by Miss Fisher of Swansea at the annual conference of National Union of Women Teachers at Southend. Urging equal pay for men and women teachers, Miss Fisher said that even in arithmetic books the superiority of men was emphasised. There were sums stating "If three men do in five days the same piece of work that seven women do in twelve days, etc." (Laughter).

The headmistress of a mixed school at Birmingham said that she had to hand to her chief male assistant each month a much larger cheque than the one received by herself.

An entirely new idea in gasometers is now being erected at Prague, Czechoslovakia, and is claimed to be of greater strength than the conventional cylindrical type. The structure is in shape of a hugh ball and stands on four legs.

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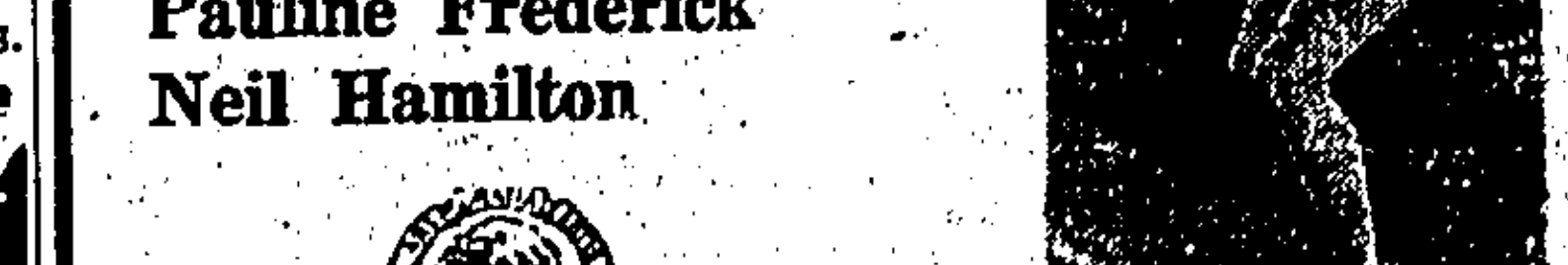


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